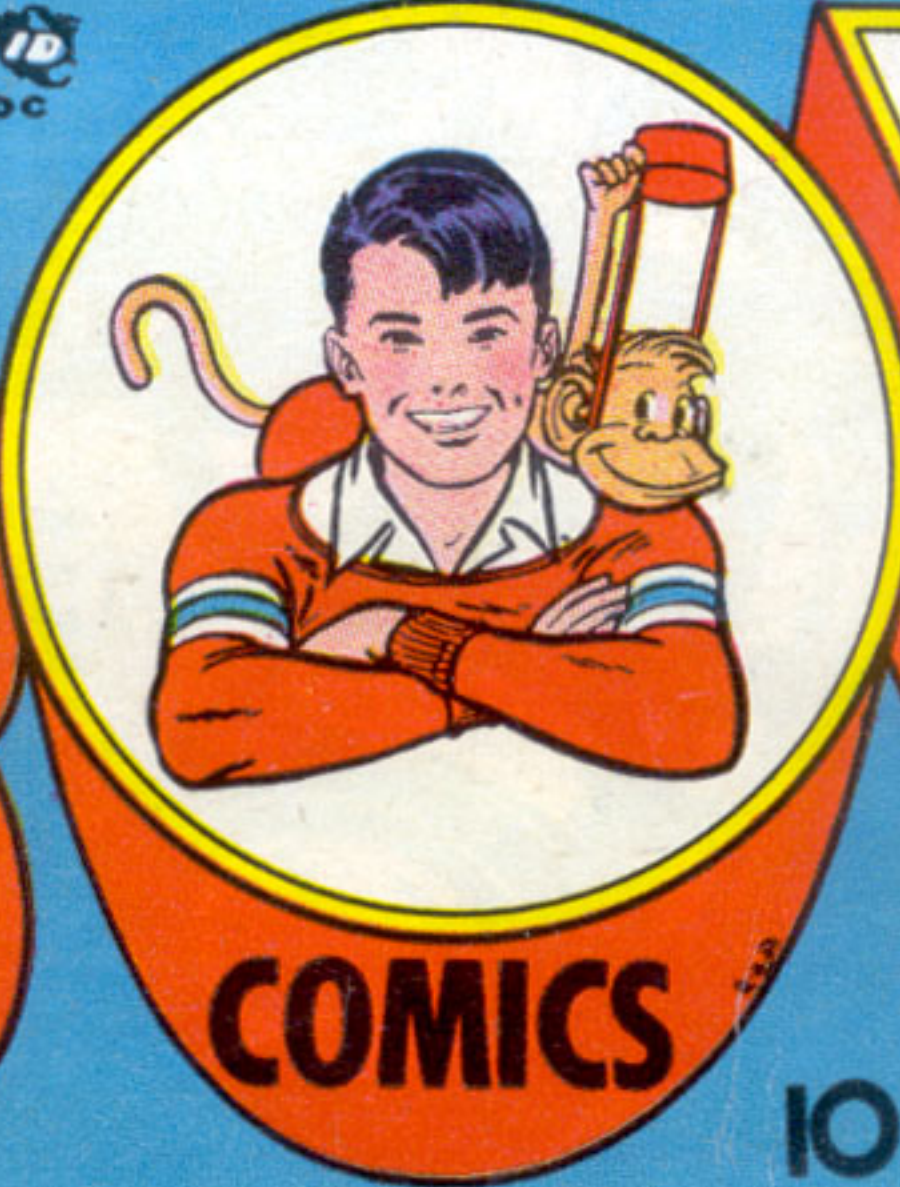




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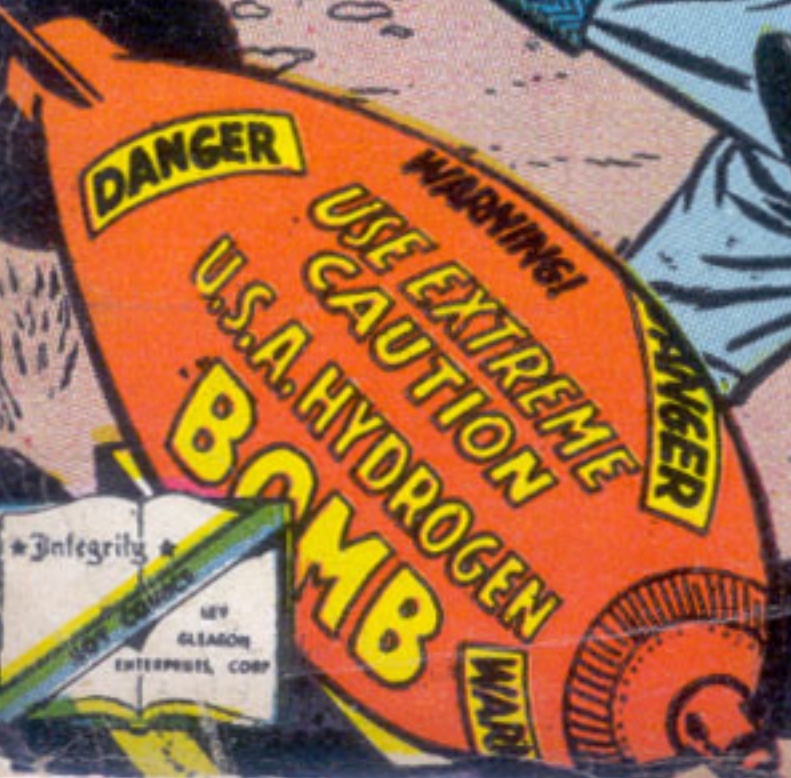
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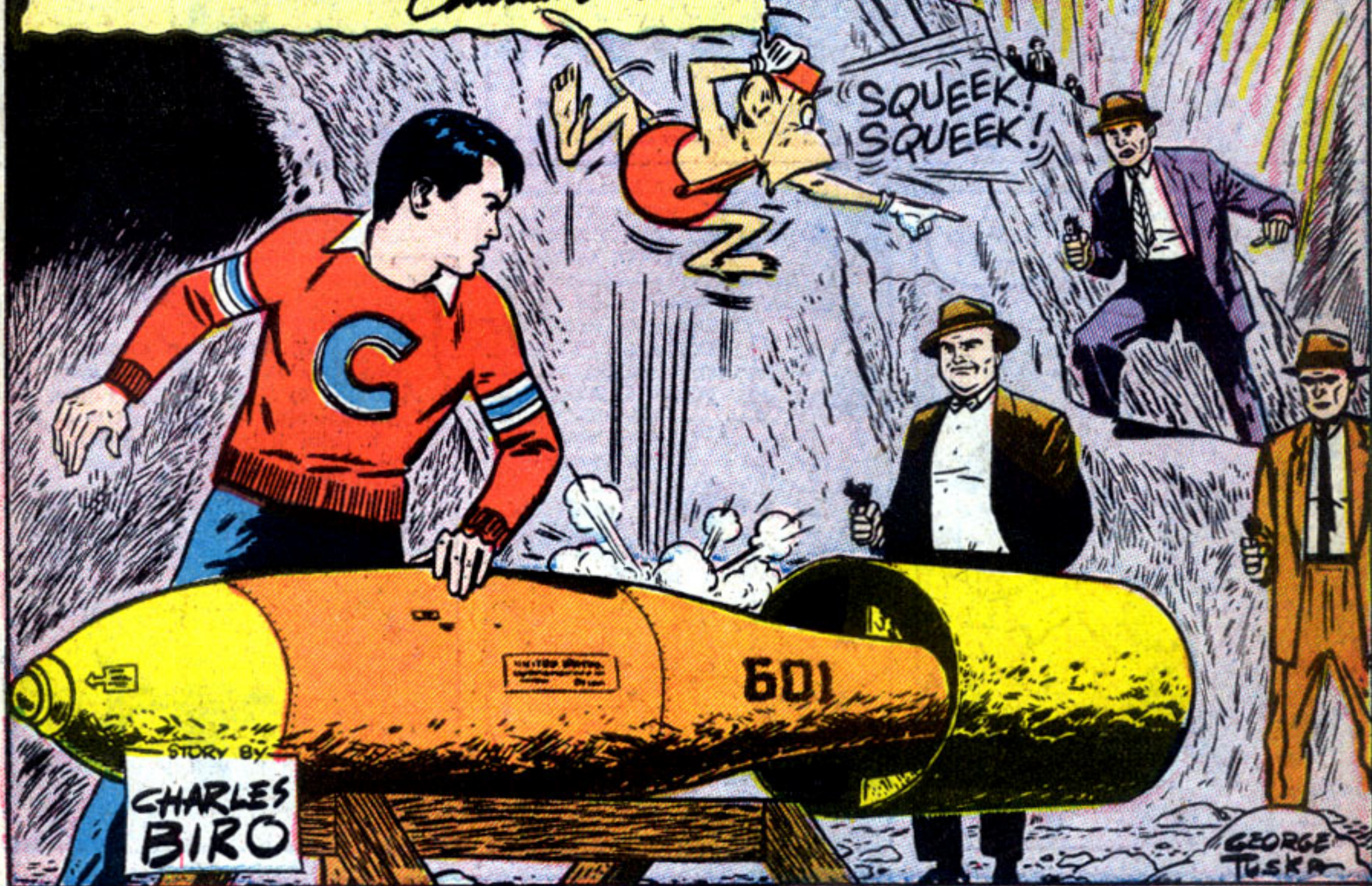
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CRIMEBUSTER

in "THE VOLCANO'S SECRET"

WHETHER IN THE RING, OR IN THE CONTEST FOR SUCCESS IN LIFE, THE SAYING "YOU CAN'T KEEP A GOOD MAN DOWN," HOLDS TRUE! THEY CAN TIE HIM OR EVEN SIT ON HIM, BUT A GOOD MAN WILL SOMEHOW FIGHT HIS WAY FREE AND COME OUT ON TOP! CRIMEBUSTER COULDN'T HAVE HAD MORE ODDS AGAINST HIM THAN HE DID, IN THIS HARROWING EXPERIENCE! NONE OF THIS IS MEANT TO BE FUNNY, YET IT MAY GIVE YOU A CHUCKLE, NEVERTHELESS! BUT IN THIS STORY, YOU WILL FIND NO RELIEF FROM TENSION!

Charles Biro



STORY BY

CHARLES BIRO

GEORGE TUSKA

THEN IT'S ALL AGREED IT'S NECESSARY TO HIDE OUR ONLY TITANIUM BOMB IN THE SAFEST PLACE POSSIBLE! THIS CHART IS OF THE INACTIVE HAWAIIAN VOLCANO, MOUNT KONA LAU AND SHOWS HOW IT COULD BE USED!

BUT HOW DO WE GET THE BOMB THERE WITHOUT BEING DETECTED?

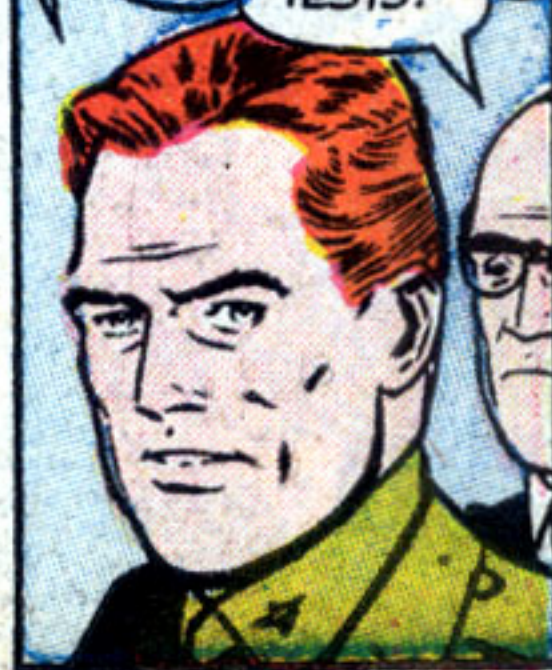
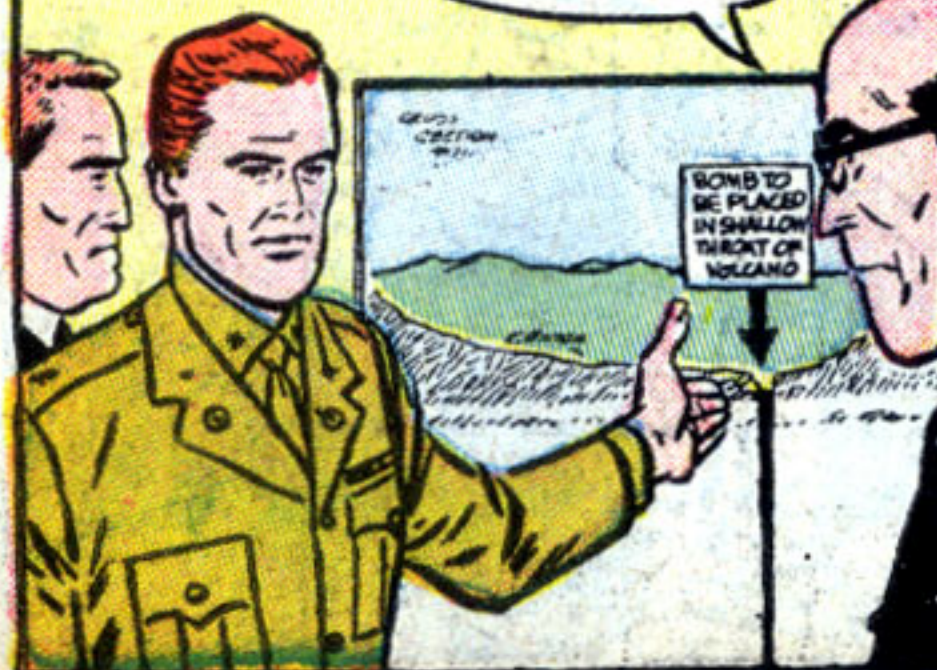
IT WILL BE FLOWN THERE ON A MOONLESS NIGHT BY HELICOPTER! MAJOR COLTRON HAS JUST TESTED A NEW SHIP THAT WOULD BE IDEAL FOR THE JOB! IT COULD SAFELY LOWER THE BOMB INTO PLACE!

WE CAN'T GO AHEAD WITHOUT MAKING SECURITY TESTS!

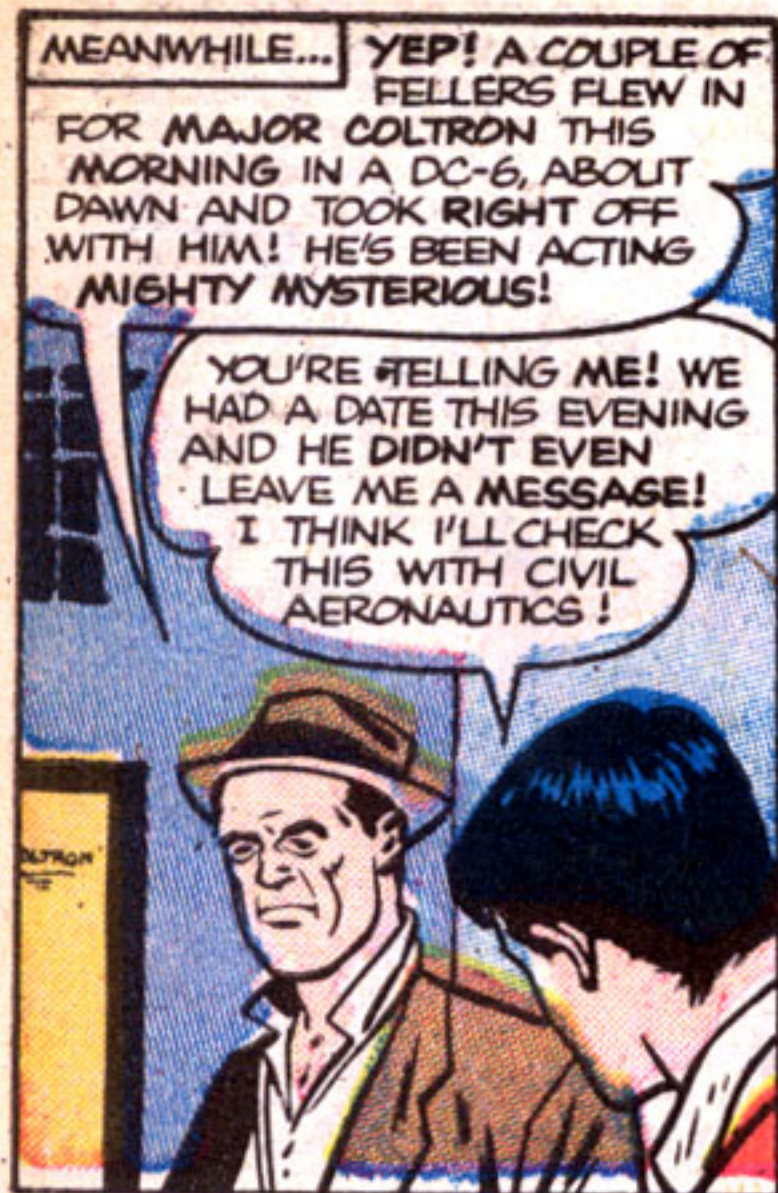
THERE'S NO TIME FOR THAT, MR. DEVLIN! IT'S TOO RISKY—WE'VE GOT TO GET THE BOMB TO A SAFE HIDING PLACE AT ONCE!

I AGREE, MR. SECRETARY—SPEED IS VITAL!

OKAY—GO TO IT, BUT I STILL THINK WE SHOULD MAKE A SECURITY TEST OF THAT LOCATION!







MEANWHILE... YEP! A COUPLE OF FELLERS FLEW IN FOR MAJOR COLTRON THIS MORNING IN A DC-6, ABOUT DAWN AND TOOK RIGHT OFF WITH HIM! HE'S BEEN ACTING MIGHTY MYSTERIOUS!

YOU'RE TELLING ME! WE HAD A DATE THIS EVENING AND HE DIDN'T EVEN LEAVE ME A MESSAGE! I THINK I'LL CHECK THIS WITH CIVIL AERONAUTICS!



NO! THERE'S NO RECORD OR CHART OF ANY PLANE TAKING OFF FROM THAT FIELD THIS MORNING, C.B.! YOU COULD BE MISTAKEN!

BUT I SAW THE TRACKS MYSELF! THANKS, SIR, I'LL LET YOU KNOW IF I FIND ANYTHING!



THIS IS WHERE THAT DC-6 TAXIED OFF THE RUNWAY! IT'S STILL FRESH! THESE TRACKS MUST HAVE BEEN MADE BY THAT SHIP! THE FBI CAN TRACE THEM FROM THIS PLASTER OF PARIS IMPRESSION I'LL GIVE THEM!



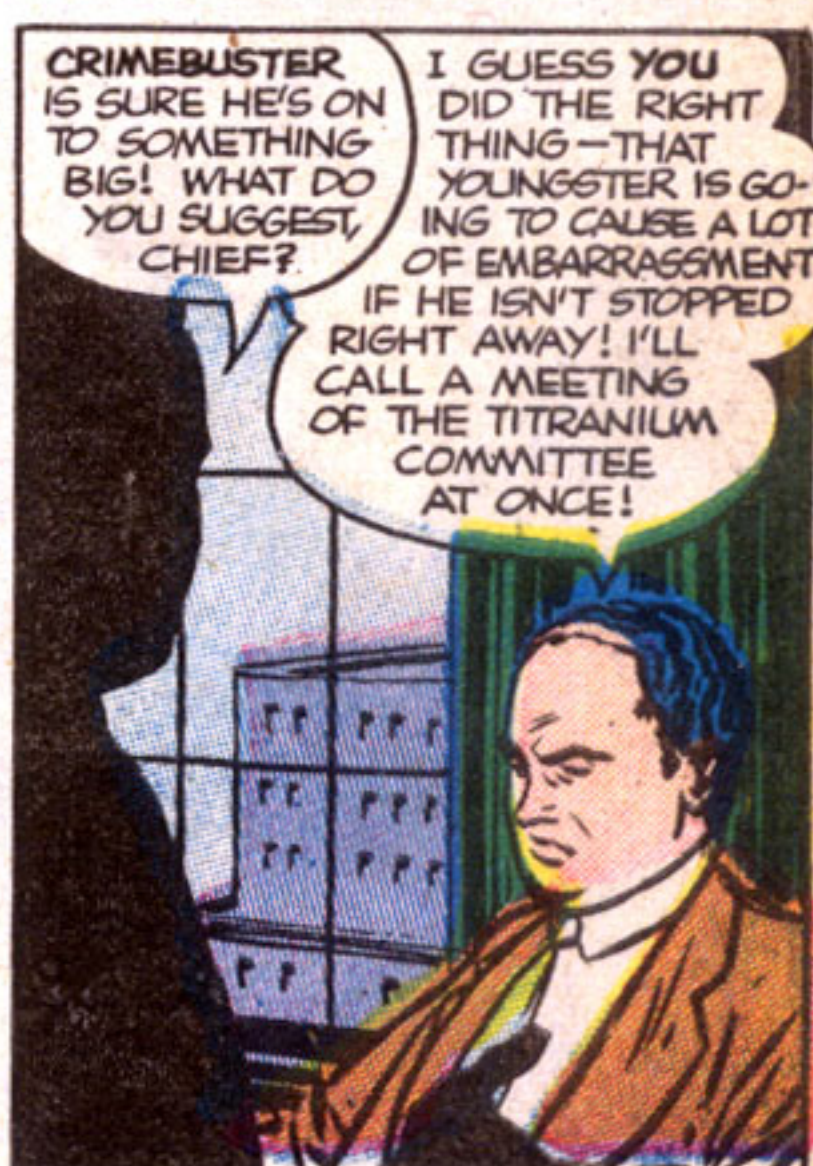
HERE ARE THE PLASTER IMPRESSIONS OF THE TRACKS AND THESE ARE SOME DRINKING GLASSES I TOOK FROM MAJOR COLTRON'S OFFICE! THE PRINTS MIGHT BE ABLE TO TELL YOU SOMETHING!

THANKS, C.B.! I'LL HAVE OUR LAB MEN MAIL THE REPORT TO YOU!



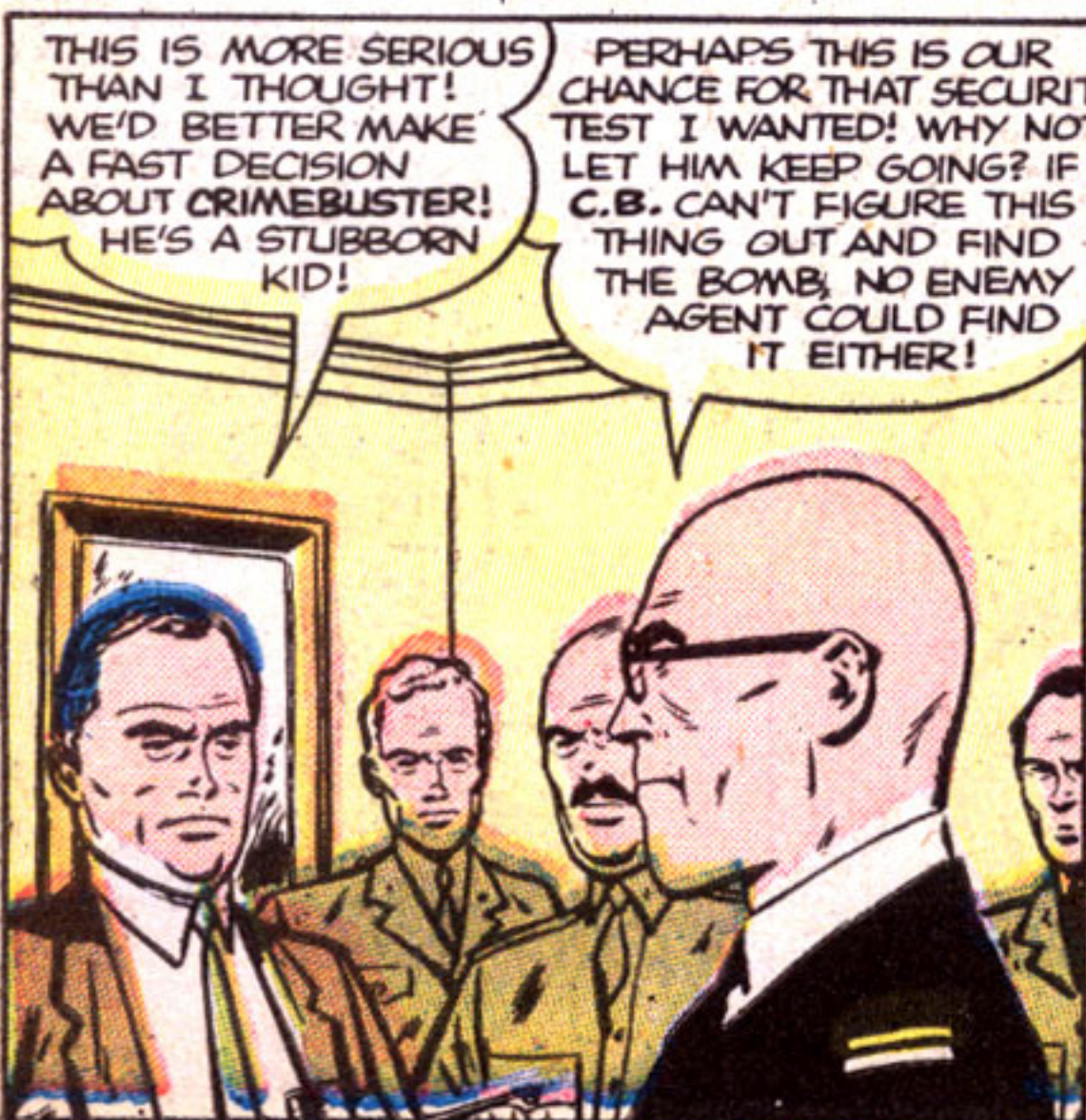
NEXT MORNING... HERE'S THE COPY OF THE REPORT I SENT TO CRIMEBUSTER! IT WASN'T MUCH OF A MYSTERY! THAT WAS THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE'S PRIVATE PLANE AND GENERAL BOLTINGER'S FINGERPRINTS ON THE GLASS AND OF COURSE, MAJOR COLTRON'S!

THAT'S FUNNY—I'D BETTER TELL THE CHIEF ABOUT THIS! MAYBE CRIMEBUSTER IS MEDDLING IN SOMETHING THAT'S NOT HIS BUSINESS!



CRIMEBUSTER IS SURE HE'S ON TO SOMETHING BIG! WHAT DO YOU SUGGEST, CHIEF?

I GUESS YOU DID THE RIGHT THING—THAT YOUNGSTER IS GOING TO CAUSE A LOT OF EMBARRASSMENT IF HE ISN'T STOPPED RIGHT AWAY! I'LL CALL A MEETING OF THE TITRANIUM COMMITTEE AT ONCE!



THIS IS MORE SERIOUS THAN I THOUGHT! WE'D BETTER MAKE A FAST DECISION ABOUT CRIMEBUSTER! HE'S A STUBBORN KID!

PERHAPS THIS IS OUR CHANCE FOR THAT SECURITY TEST I WANTED! WHY NOT LET HIM KEEP GOING? IF C.B. CAN'T FIGURE THIS THING OUT AND FIND THE BOMB, NO ENEMY AGENT COULD FIND IT EITHER!



YOU'RE RIGHT, DEVLIN! BUT WE'LL MAKE THIS AS TOUGH FOR C.B. AS WE CAN!

GOOD—OTHERWISE IT'LL PROVE NOTHING! NOW THE FIRST THING WE'VE GOT TO DO IS STOP THAT REPORT FROM REACHING HIM! I'LL PUT THE POSTMASTER ON IT RIGHT AWAY!



HERE COMES THE MAILMAN—GOOD! THAT FBI REPORT OUGHT TO TELL ME WHETHER OR NOT, I'M NUTS!

MAILMAN! HOLD IT—WAIT!



...AND WE HAVE TO IMPOUND A LETTER YOU'RE CARRYING FOR CRIME-BUSTER!

OH! WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WERE WITH THE FBI?



YOU CAN'T INTERFERE WITH THE U.S. MAILS! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!

I HATE TO DO THIS, BUT...



POOR C.B.'S GONNA GET PLENTY OF LUMPS BEFORE HIS SLEUTHING IS OVER! HE'S A GREAT KID!

AAGH!!

YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT, BROWN!



A HALF-HOUR LATER...

BOY! I SURE WALKED INTO THAT ONE! THIS THING IS GETTING HOT! I HOPE NOTHING HAPPENED TO JOE! I'LL CHECK THE AIRPORT AND SEE IF THEY'VE HEARD FROM HIM YET!



JOE, WHERE THE HECK HAVE YOU BEEN?

I'M SORRY, C.B.! I GOT A CHANCE TO GO HUNTING IN CANADA, AND I DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO CALL YOU BEFORE I LEFT!



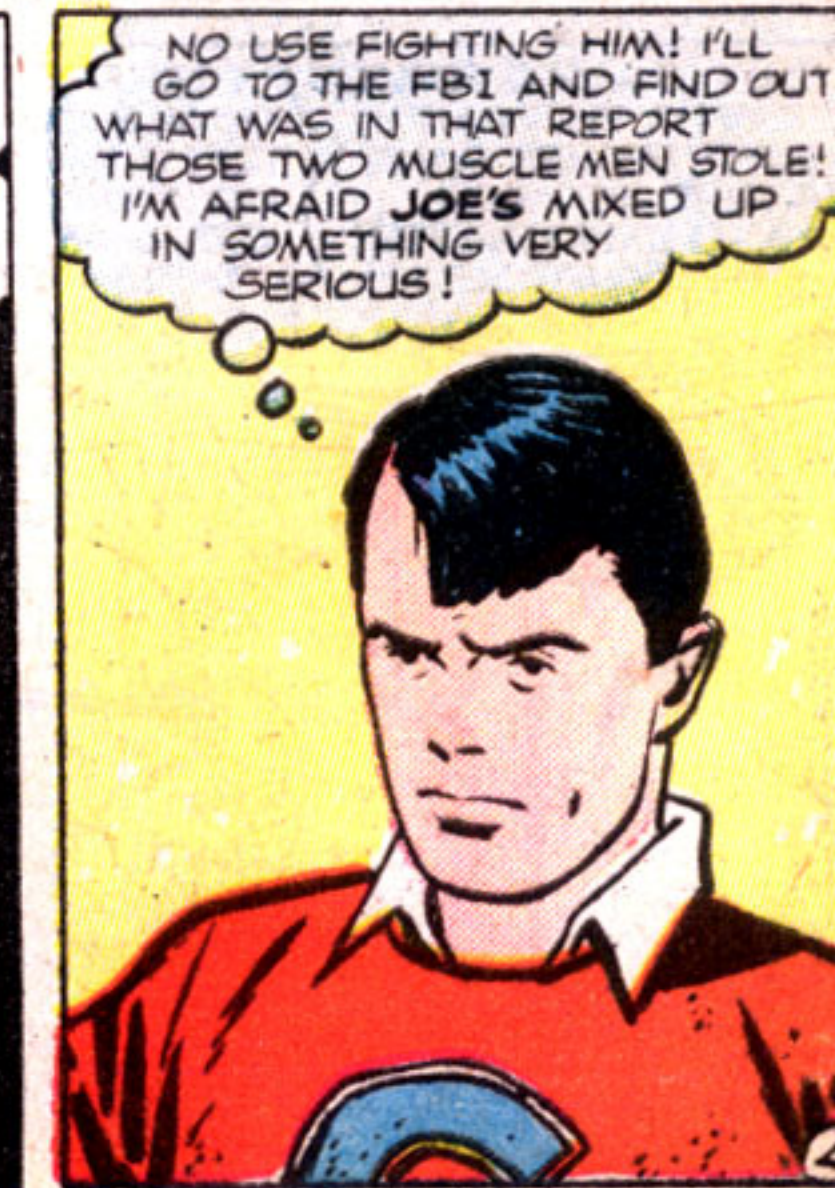
C'MON, JOE! YOU DIDN'T GET THAT SUNBURN IN CANADA! NOW, WHERE WERE YOU? WHAT ARE YOU HIDING?

ARE YOU CALLING ME A LIAR, C.B.? I WON'T TAKE THAT FROM YOU OR ANYBODY ELSE!

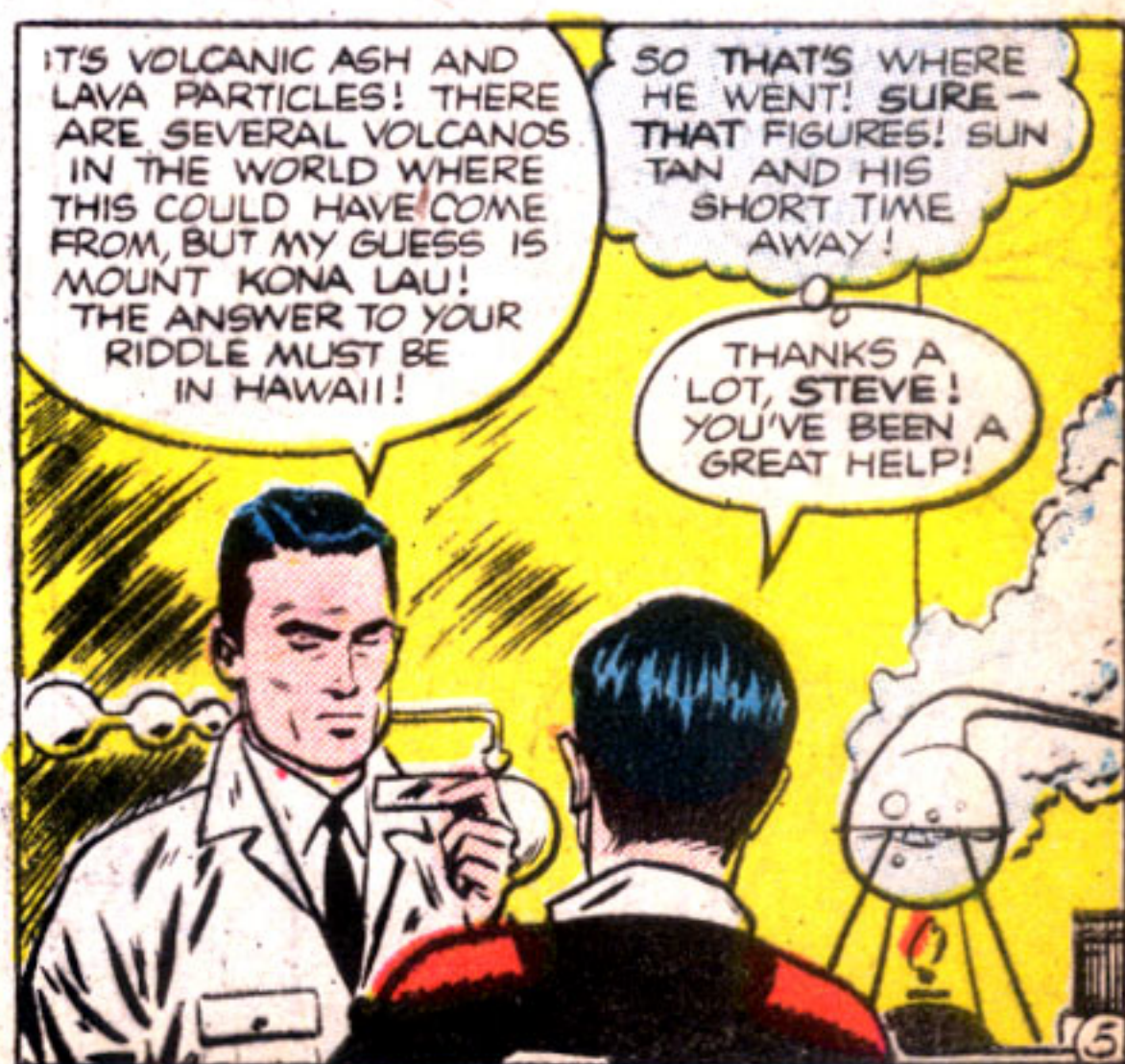
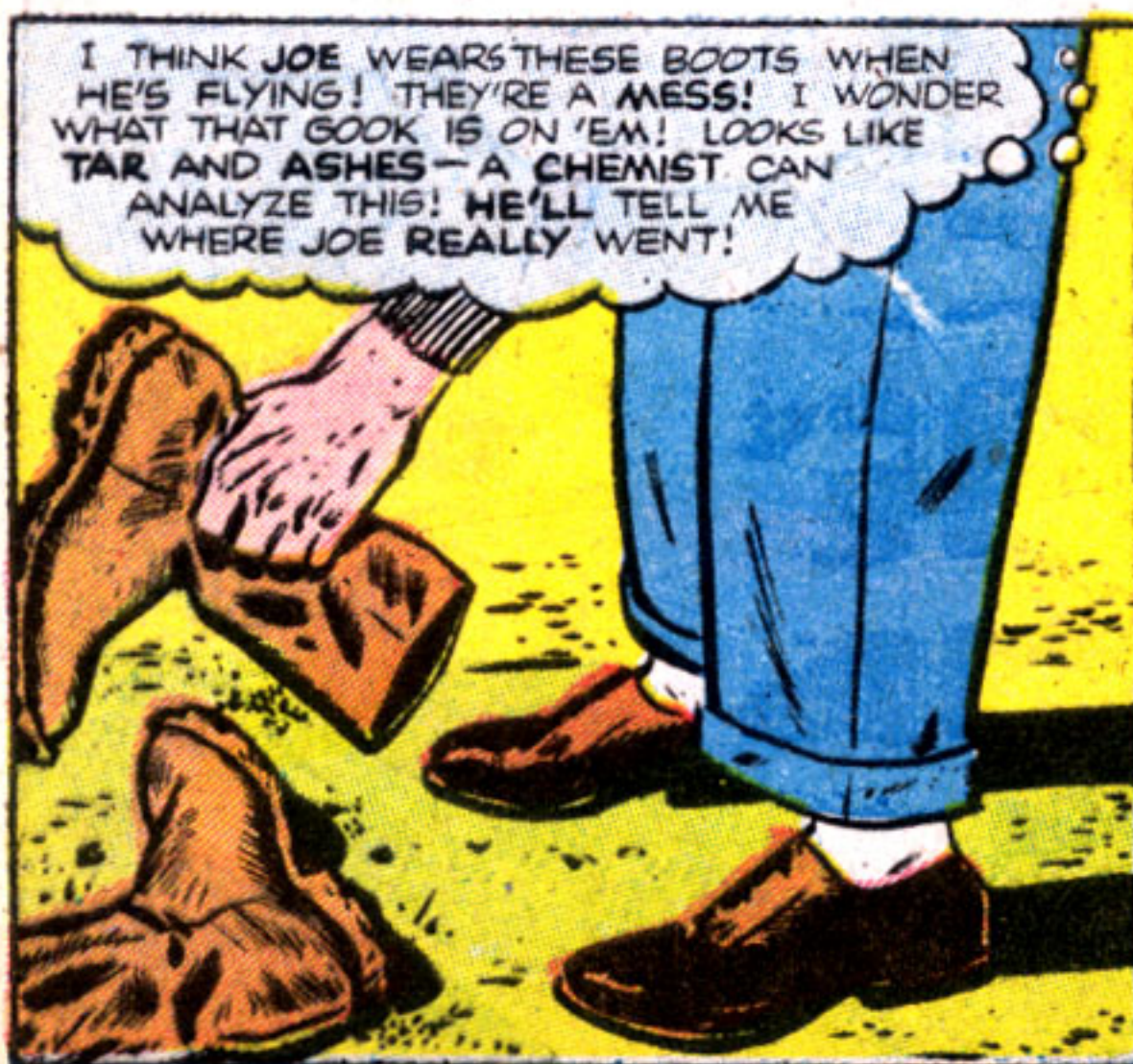
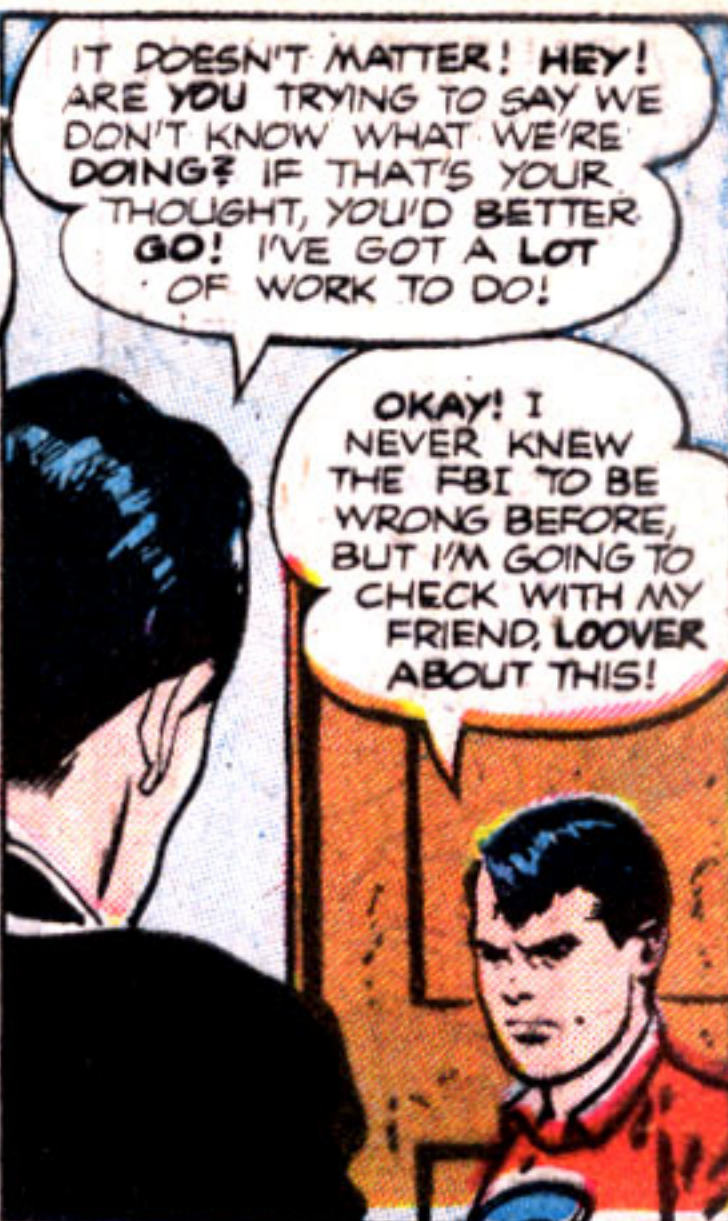
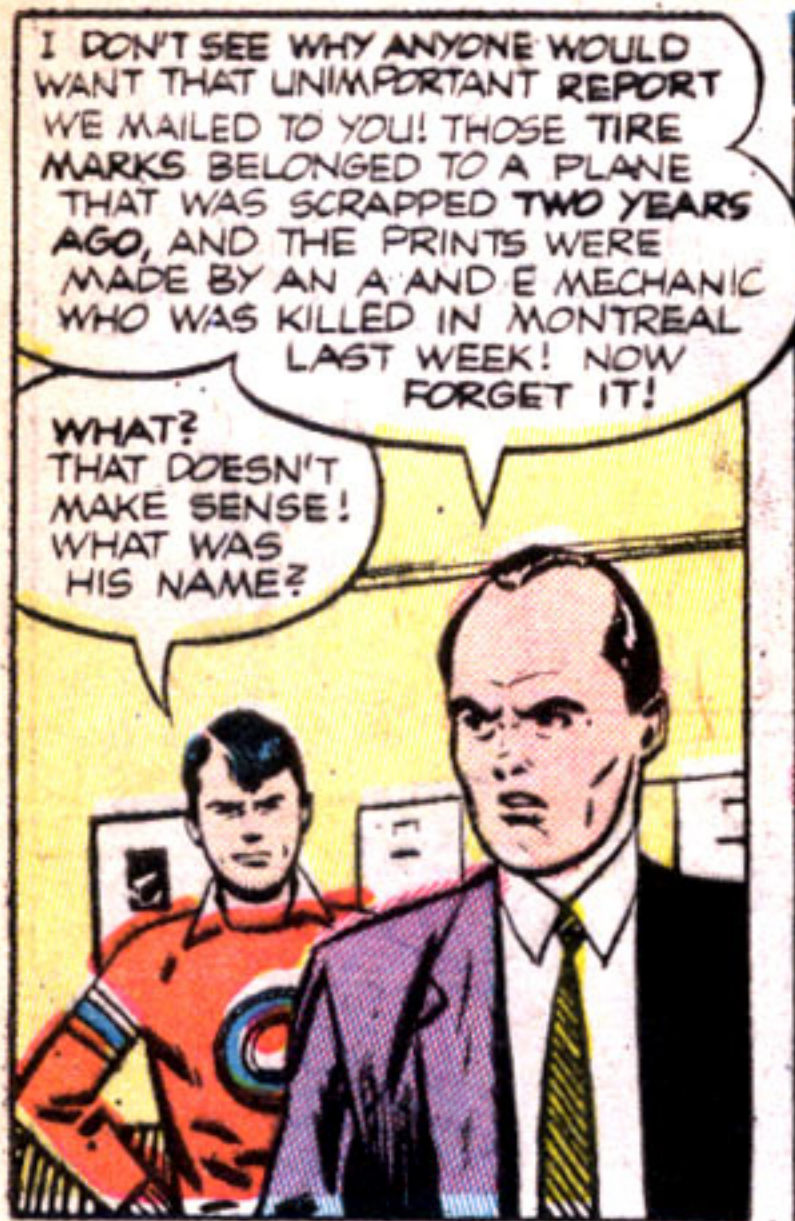


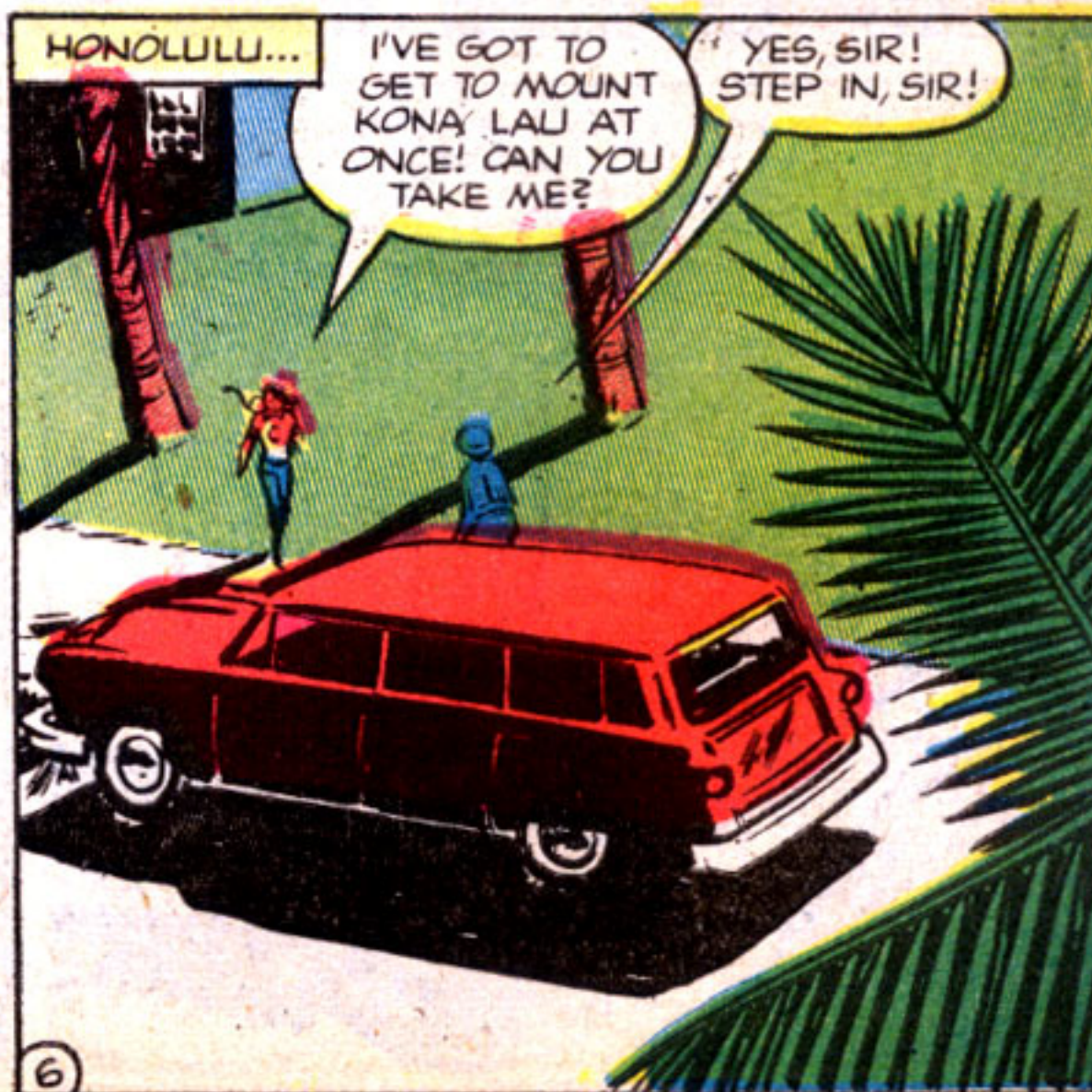
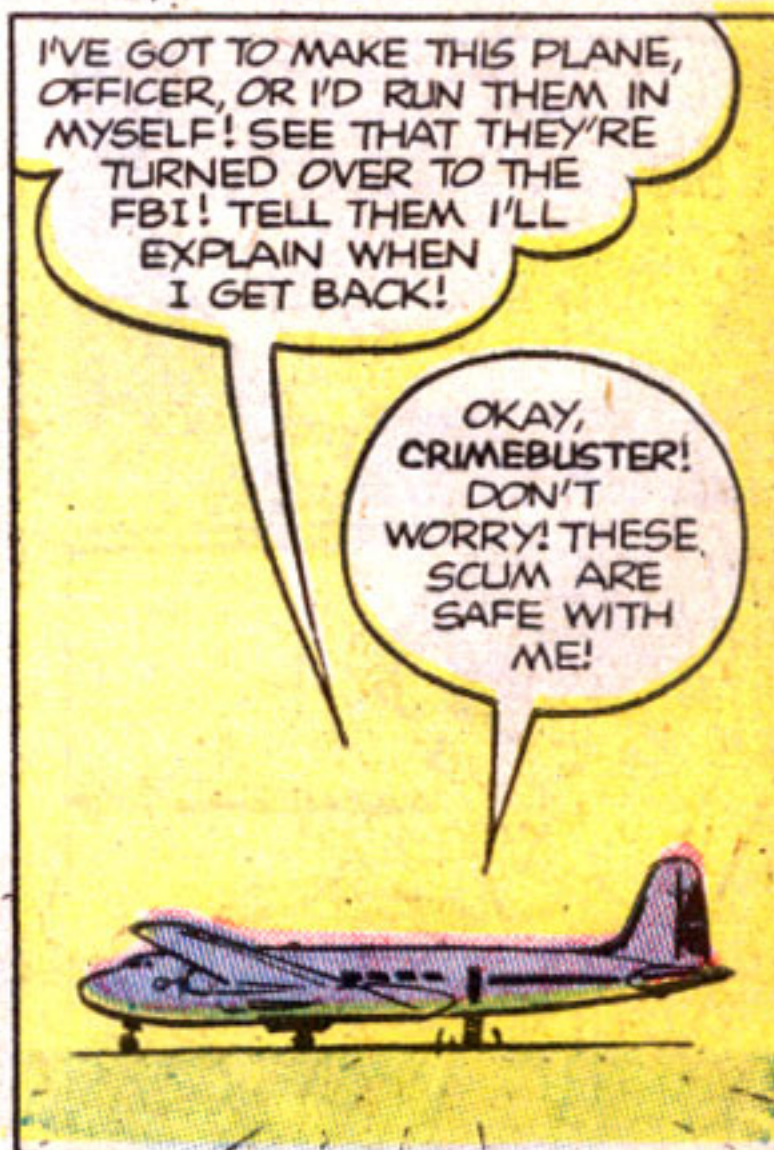
I KNOW THE FACTS, JOE, AND THEY DON'T JIBE WITH YOUR STORY! WHY ARE YOU LYING?.. UGGG...

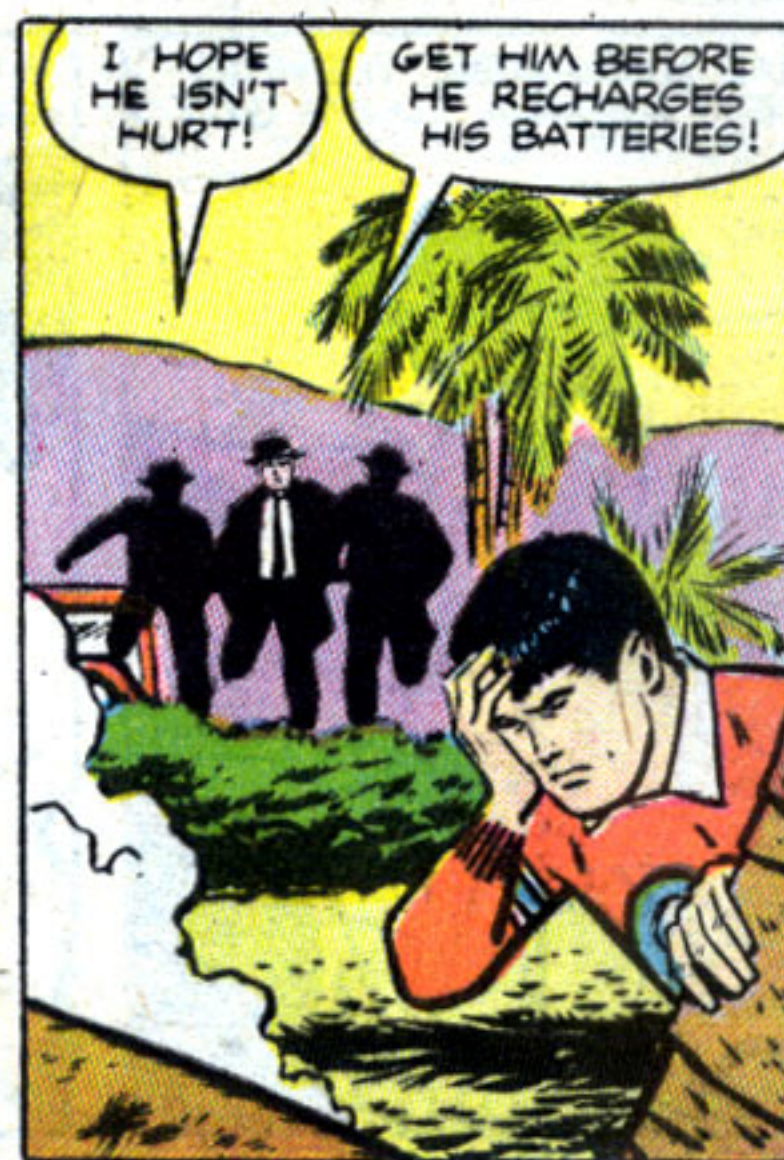
I'M SICK OF YOUR INSINUATIONS! GET OUT AN' STAY OUT!



NO USE FIGHTING HIM! I'LL GO TO THE FBI AND FIND OUT WHAT WAS IN THAT REPORT THOSE TWO MUSCLE MEN STOLE! I'M AFRAID JOE'S MIXED UP IN SOMETHING VERY SERIOUS!







AFTER SOME FANCY DUCKING AND WEAVING, CRIMEBUSTER REACHES HIS OBJECTIVE...



CRIMEBUSTER FLIES THE BLUE PLATE SPECIAL BACK TO D.C...



The END

SNIFFER and IRON JAW

in "THE GREAT SNIFFOONEY"

IRON JAW CAN'T FOOL SNIFFER 'CAUSE SNIFFER'S NO FOOL! HE'S NOT FOOLISH ENOUGH TO FOOL AROUND WITH ANY FOOL GIMMICK THAT CAN'T FOOL ANYBODY...AT LEAST, NOT UNLESS THERE'S SOMETHING IN IT FOR HIM, A BUCK OR TWO, THAT IS! SNIFFER'S IN FOR A LOT OF TOMFOOLERY, AND SO ARE YOU!

THIS IS A TENSE MOMENT, FOLKS! WILL SNIFFOONEY COME UP IN TIME, OR HAS SOMETHING GONE WRONG? EVEN NOW HIS HEAVY TRUNK MAY BE SINKING INTO THE SLIME OF THE RIVER BOTTOM!

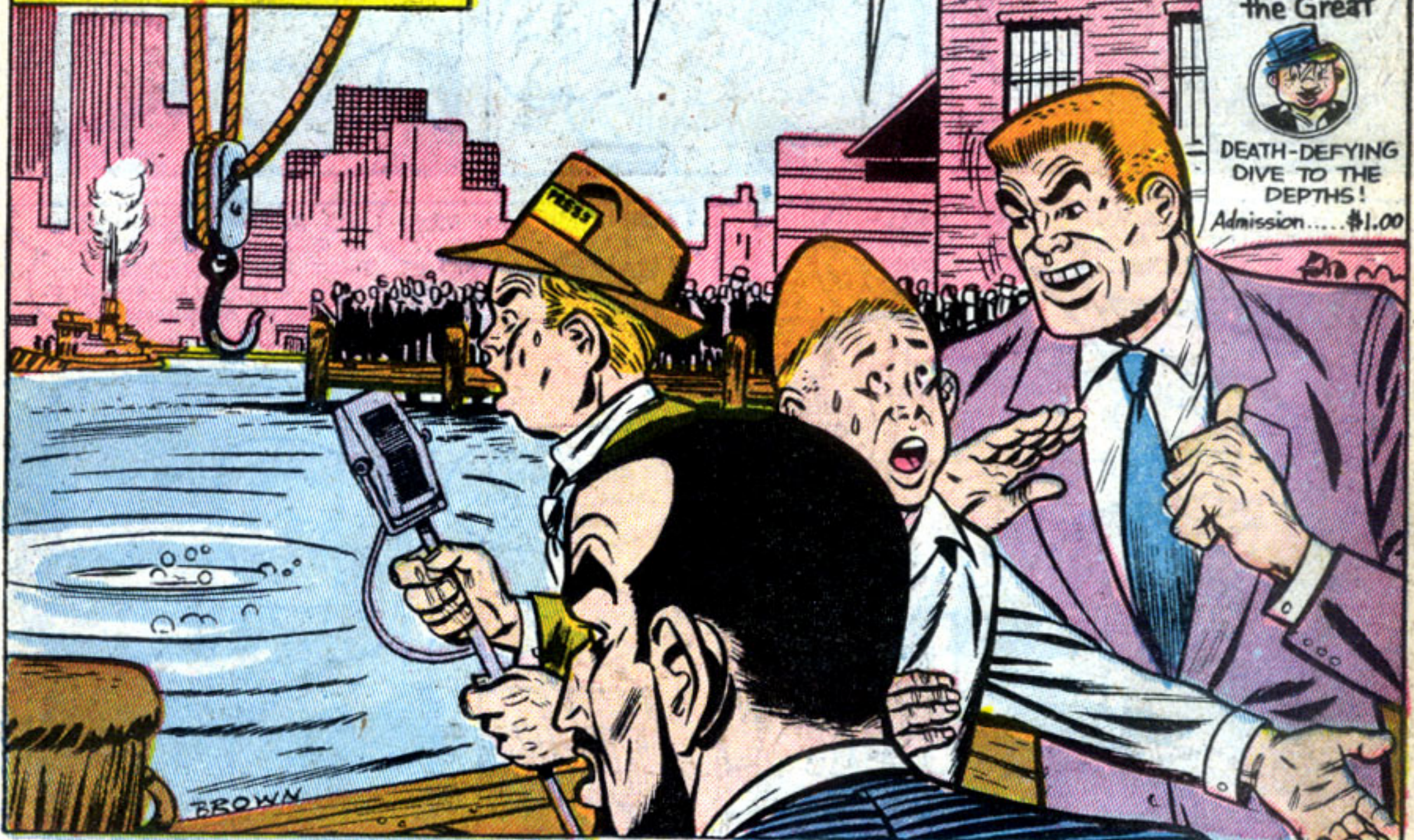
SNIFFER'S BEEN DOWN DERE FER FIVE MINUTES! HE AIN'T A FISH, YA KNOW!

HE'S GETTIN' UP BY HIMSELF, OR HE CAN STAY DOWN!

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GET HIM! DA POOR MAN'S BO BUMMEL!

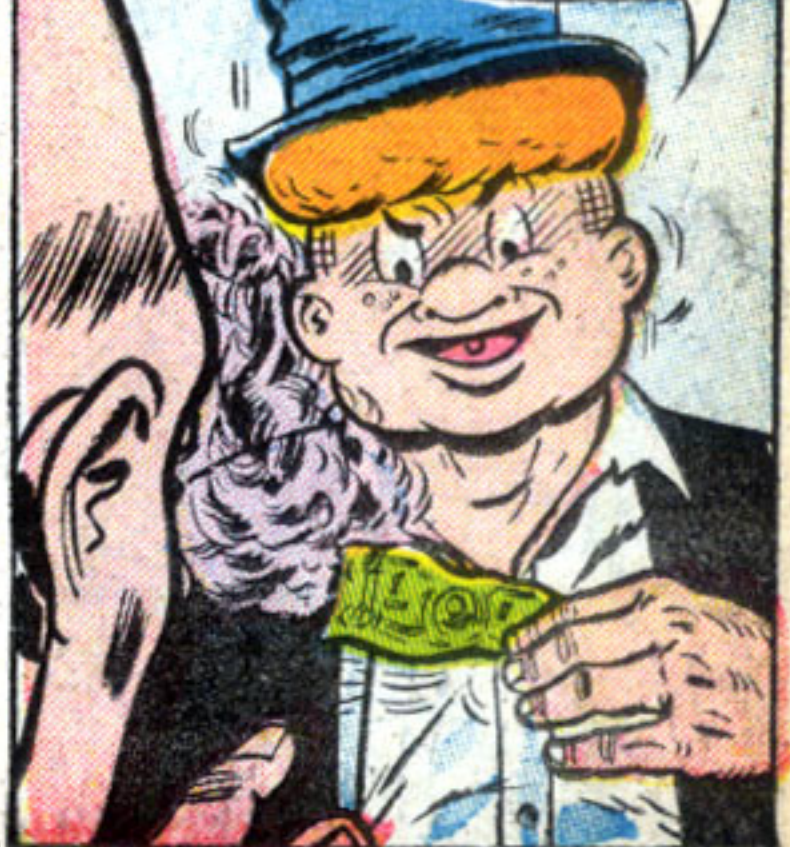
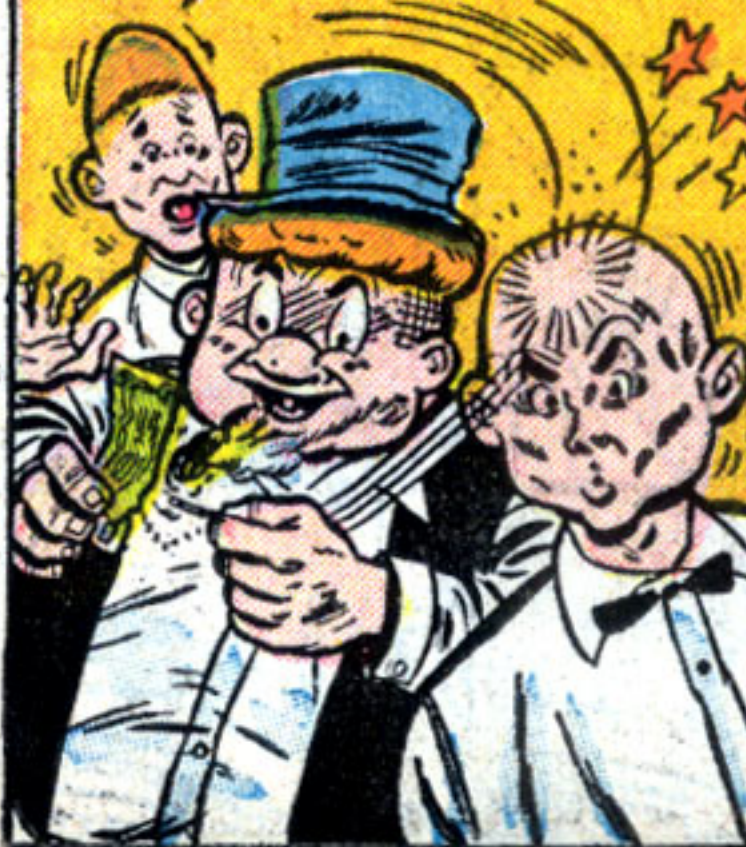
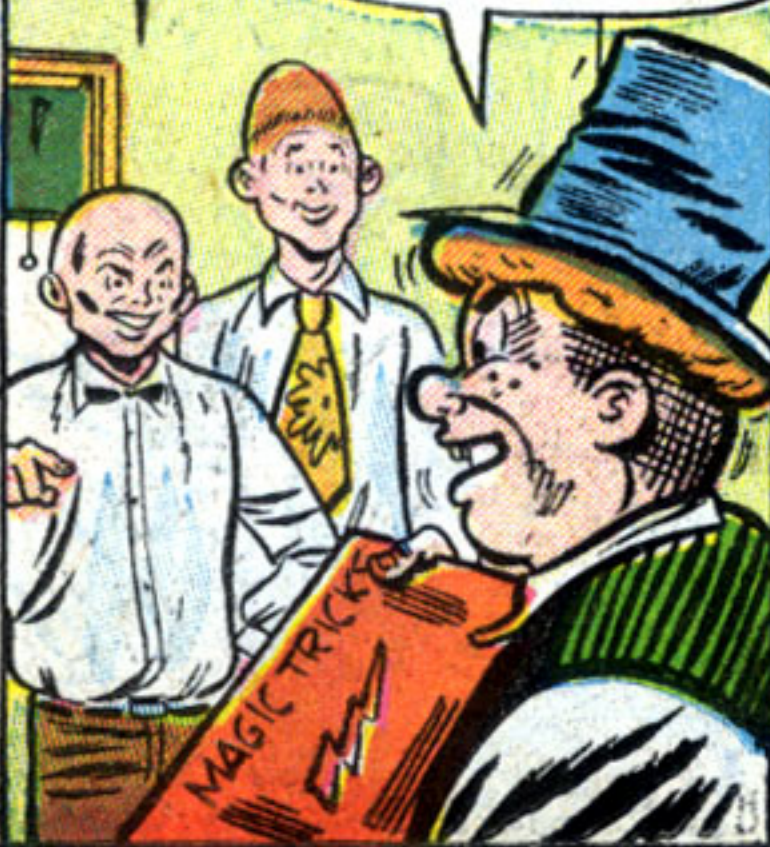
DIS IS DA TOP HAT I'M GONNA WEAR TONIGHT WHEN I PUT ON MY MAGIC ACT AT THE STRAIGHT AN' NARROW CLUB! GIMME A BUCK, EGGHEAD! I'LL SHOW YA ONE OF MY TRICKS!

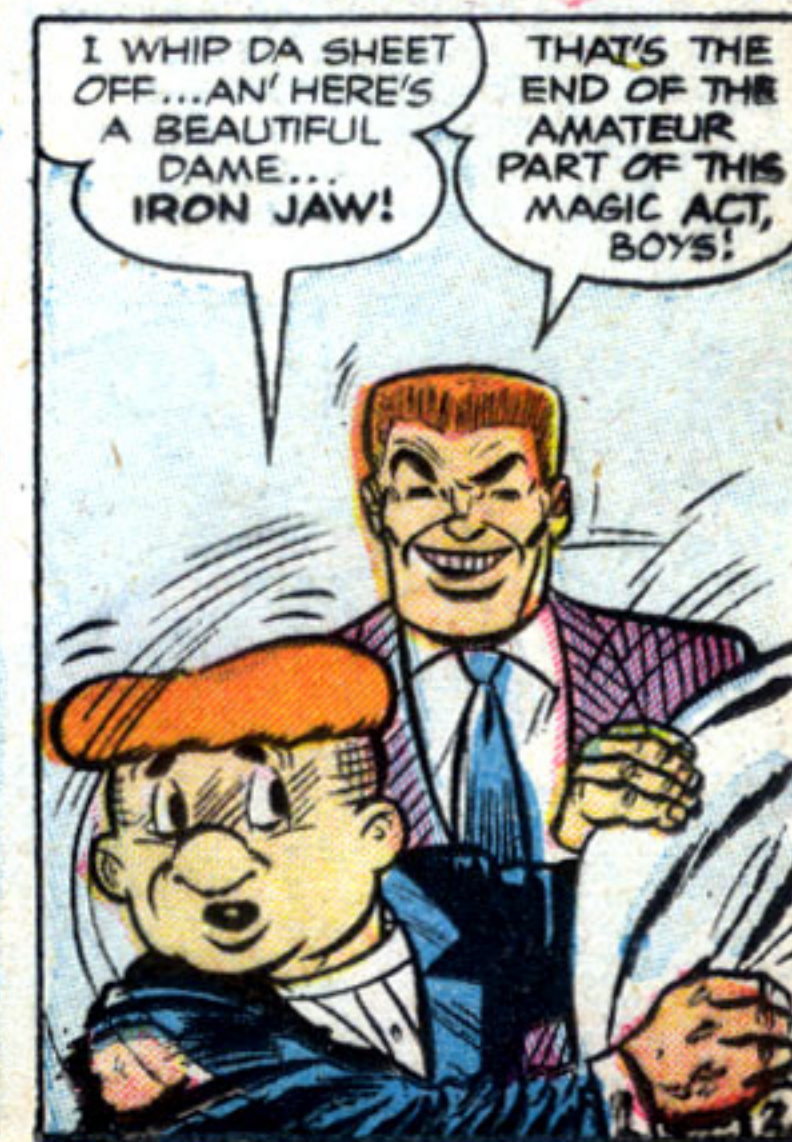
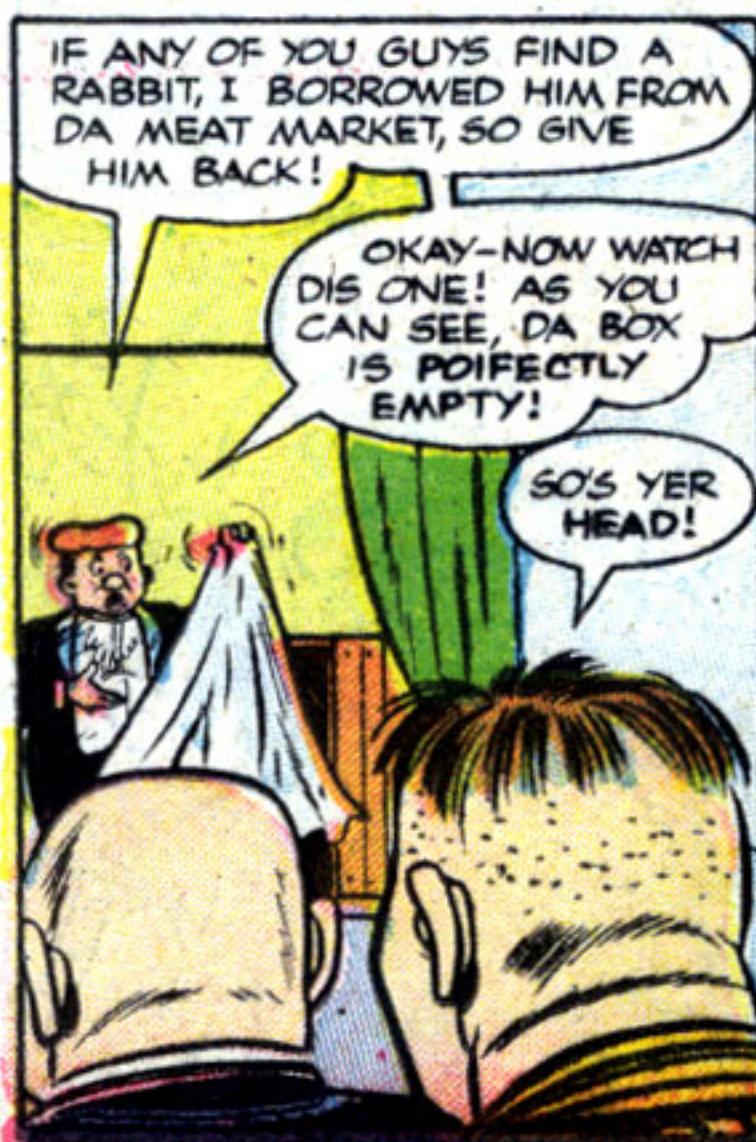
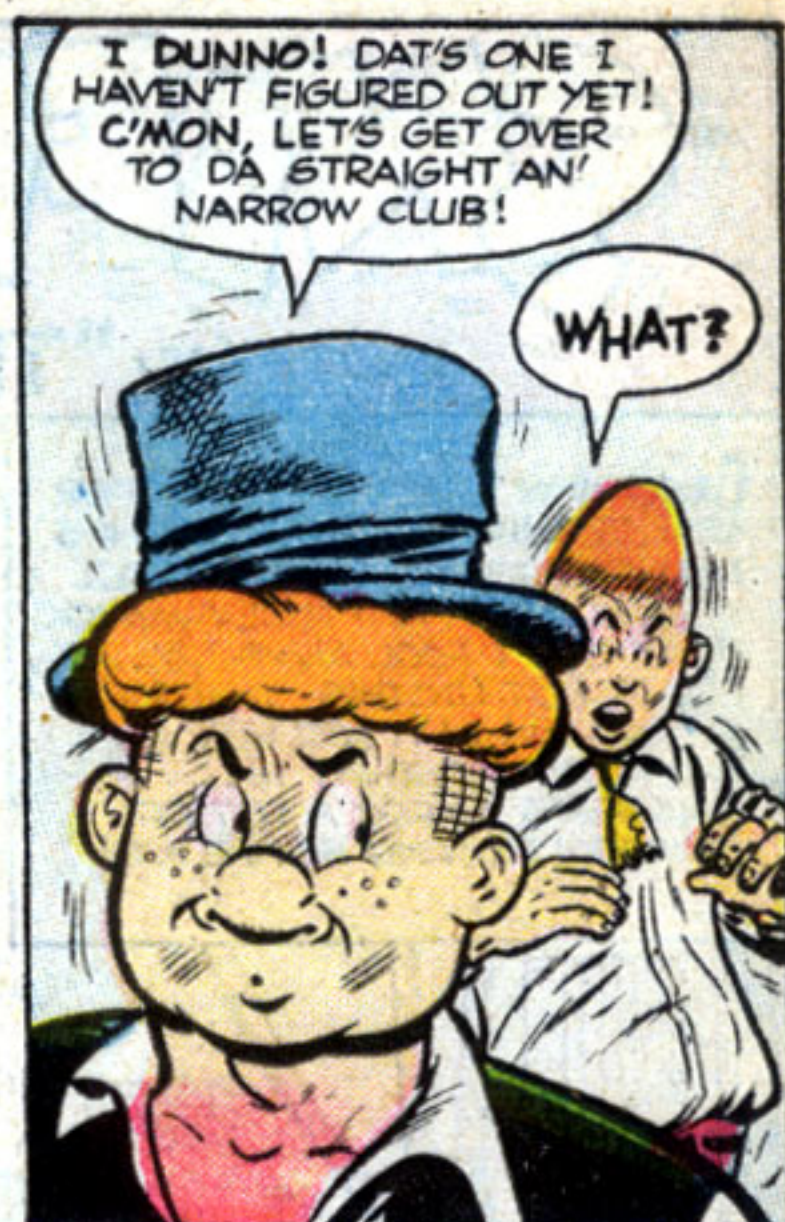
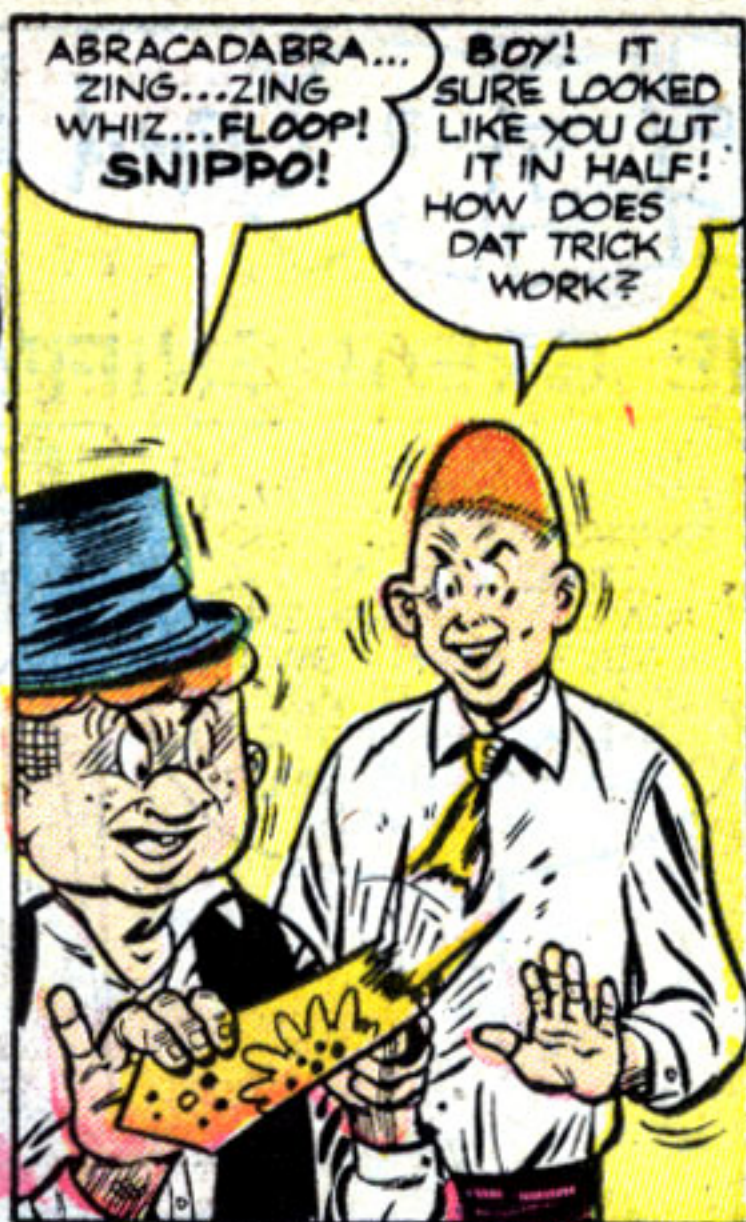
HEY-WHAT'CHA GONNA DO TO IT? DAT'S THE LAST BUCK I GOT IN DA WORLD!

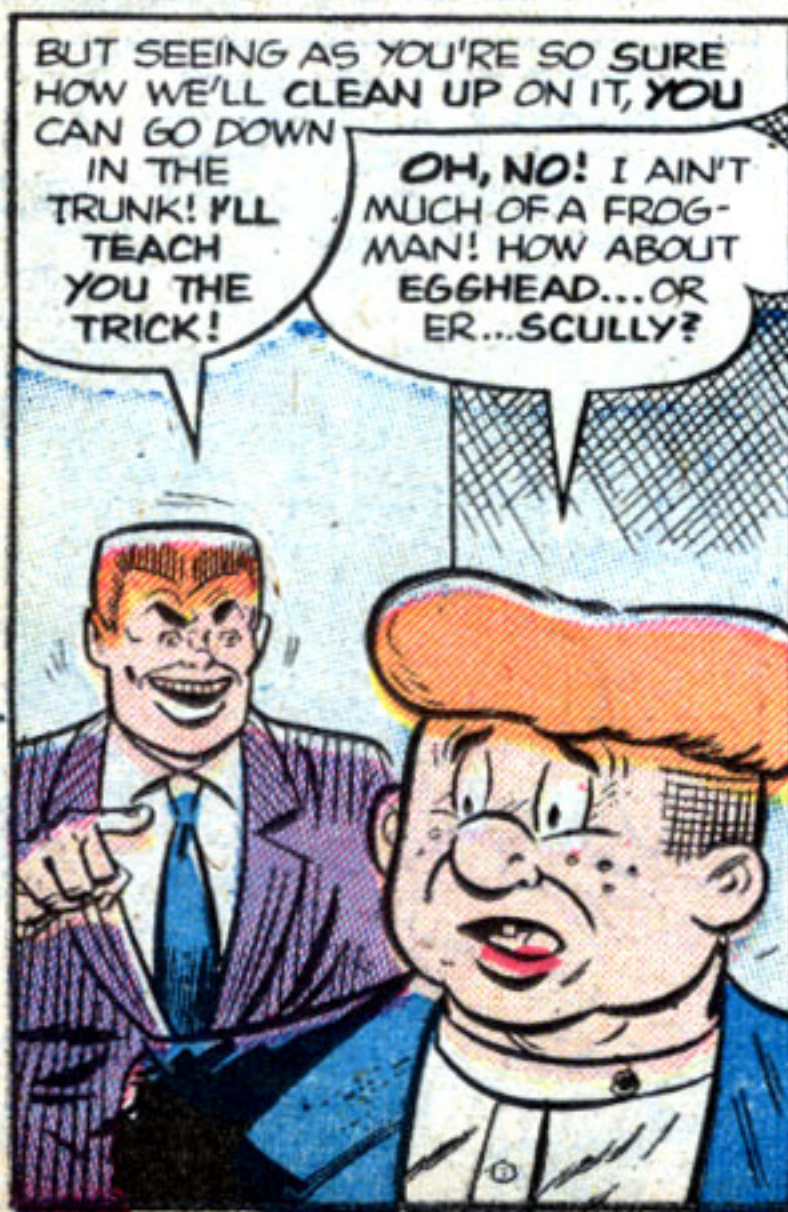
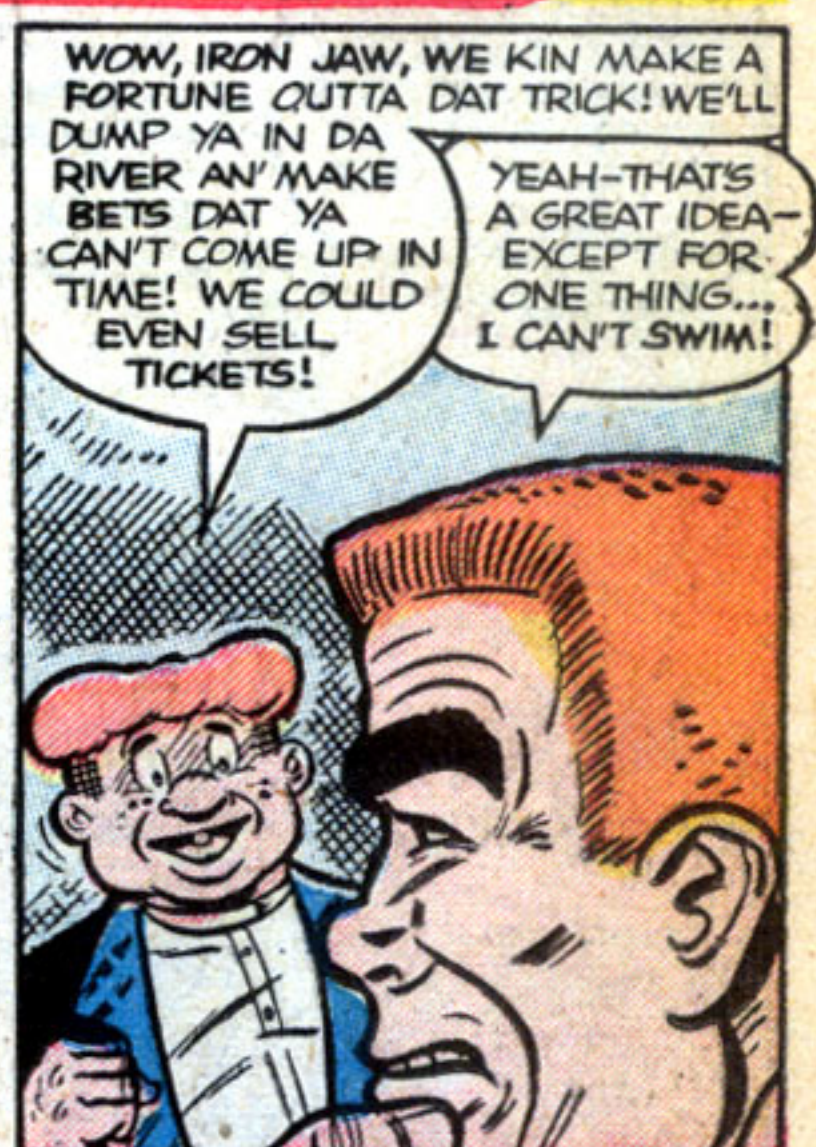
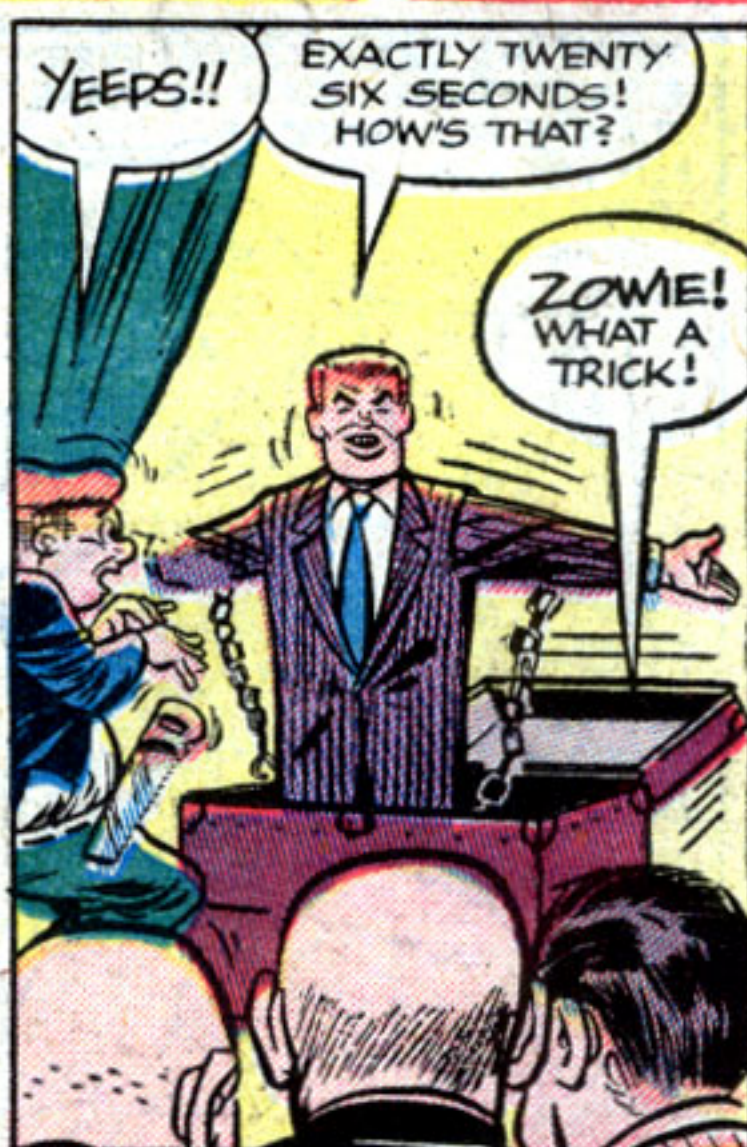
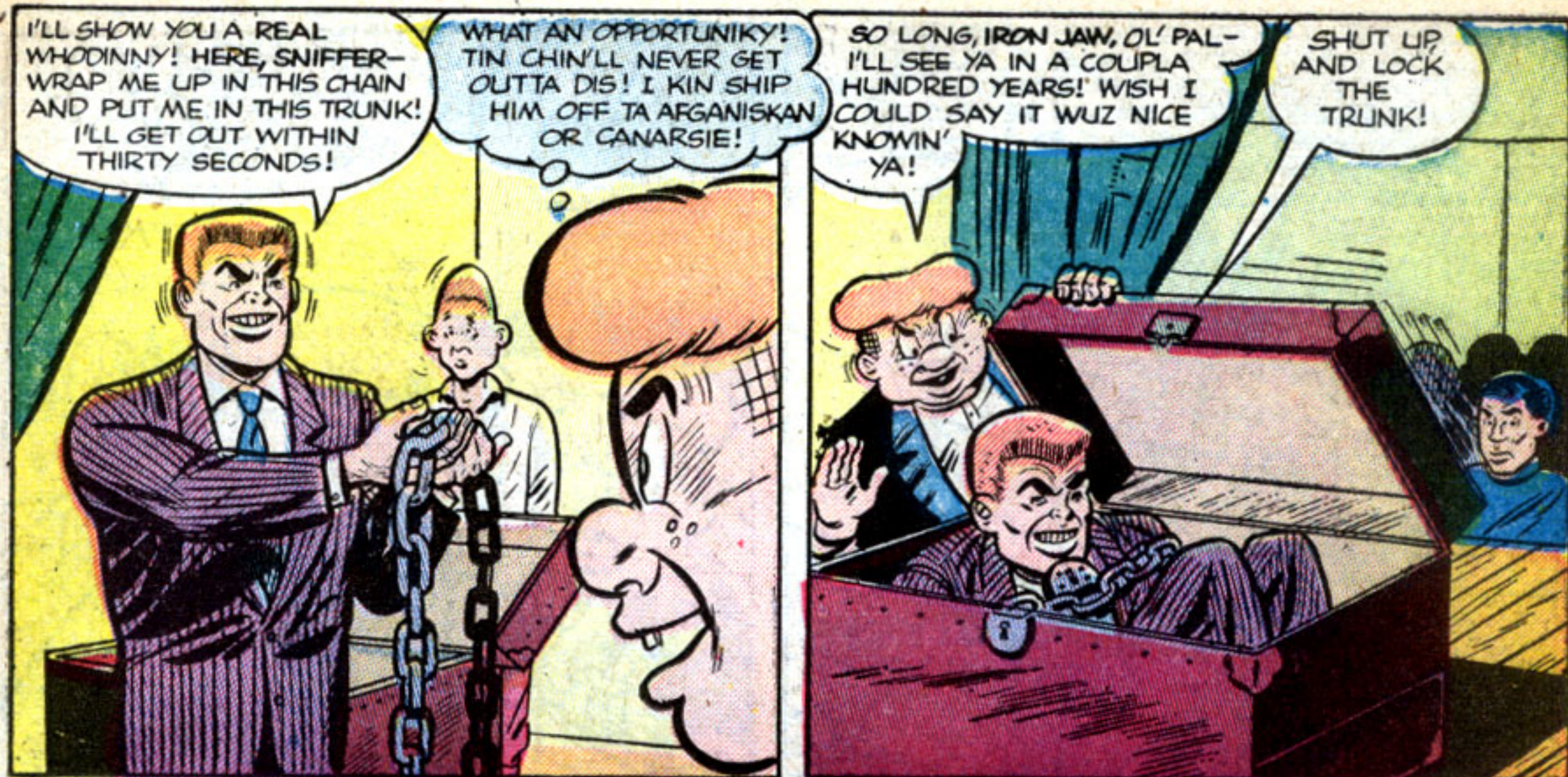
GOTTA STRIKE A MATCH, FIRST! LEAN OVER, SCULLY-TANKS!

DAT AIN'T FUNNY, SNIFFER! I WAS GONNA GO TO DA MOVIES!

AND NOW-A FEW MAGIC WORDS... GAFOOZLA... KAFOOZLA... ZING-ZANG-ZOWIE AND...







THE EXCITEMENT IS TREMENDOUS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—OVER TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE HAVE COME TO SEE IF THE GREAT SNIFFOONEY CAN ESCAPE THE DEATH TRUNK! IRON JAW HAS BET \$10,000 THAT SNIFFOONEY CAN GET OUT BY HIMSELF IN THIRTY SECONDS!

WHAT'CHA KEEPIN' ME IN SUSPENSE FOR? WHEN ARE YA GONNA TELL ME DA SECRET?

NOW! SO LISTEN CAREFULLY! I'LL PUT THIS KEY BETWEEN YOUR TEETH! AS SOON AS I CLOSE THE TRUNK, USE THE KEY TO OPEN THE LOCK ON YOUR NECK, THEN THE SAME KEY OPENS THE TRUNK FROM THE INSIDE!

DON'T GET NERVOUS, SNIFFER! AND DON'T FORGET THAT TEN GRAND WE'LL LOSE IF YOU DON'T COME UP!

I HOPE YOU KNOW WHAT YE'RE DOIN', SNIFFER!

THERE HE GOES, FOLKS! EVERYBODY'S TENSE...CAN HE MAKE IT? IT'S FANTASTIC, BUT HIS MANAGER, IRON JAW, SEEMS CONFIDENT!

OKAY, SNIFFER? LOWER AWAY!

YEAH!! GULP!

THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED IN SNIFFER'S ESOPHAGUS...

HEY, IRON JAW! WAIT—I SWALLOWED THE...GLUG! GLUG!

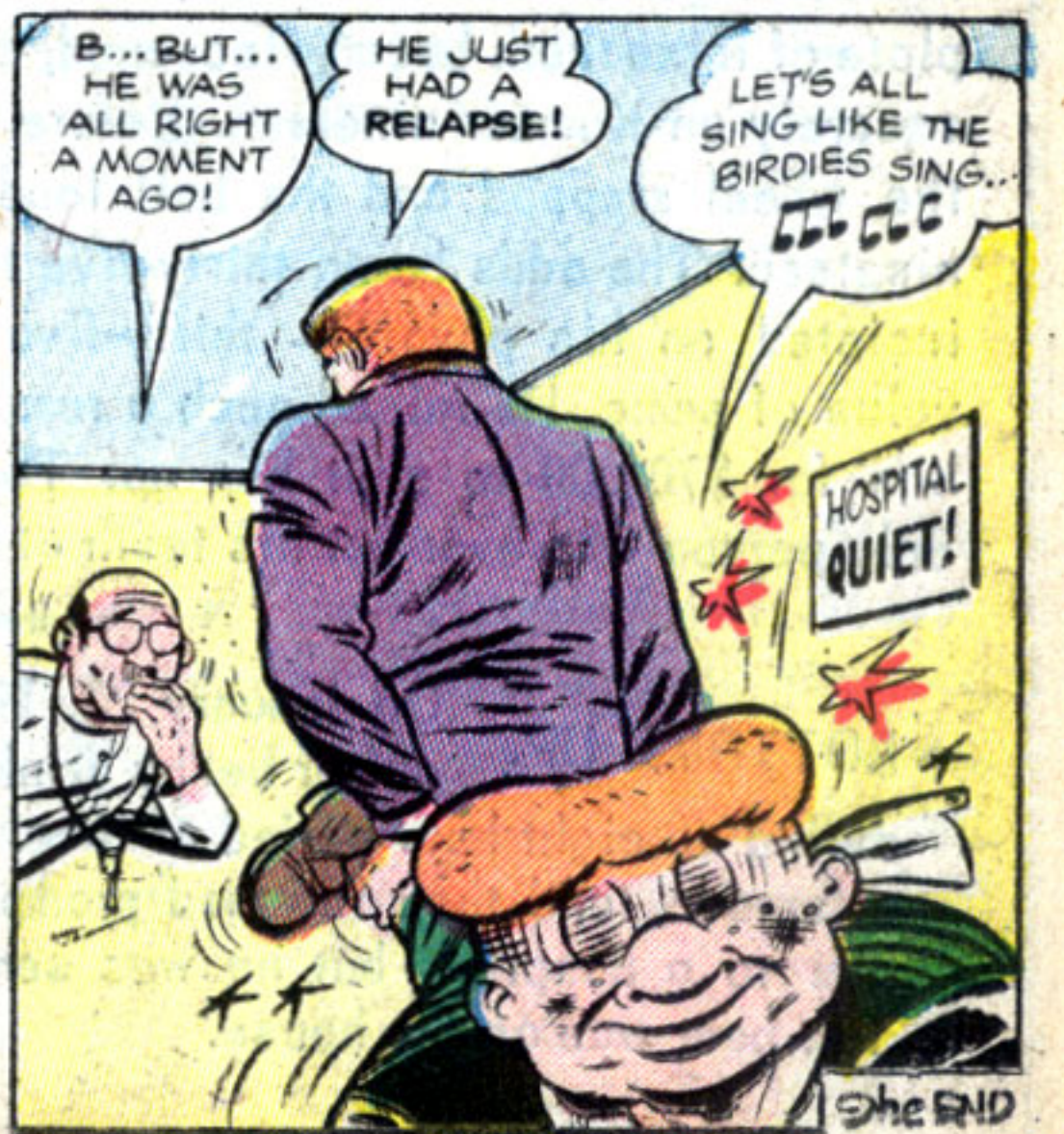
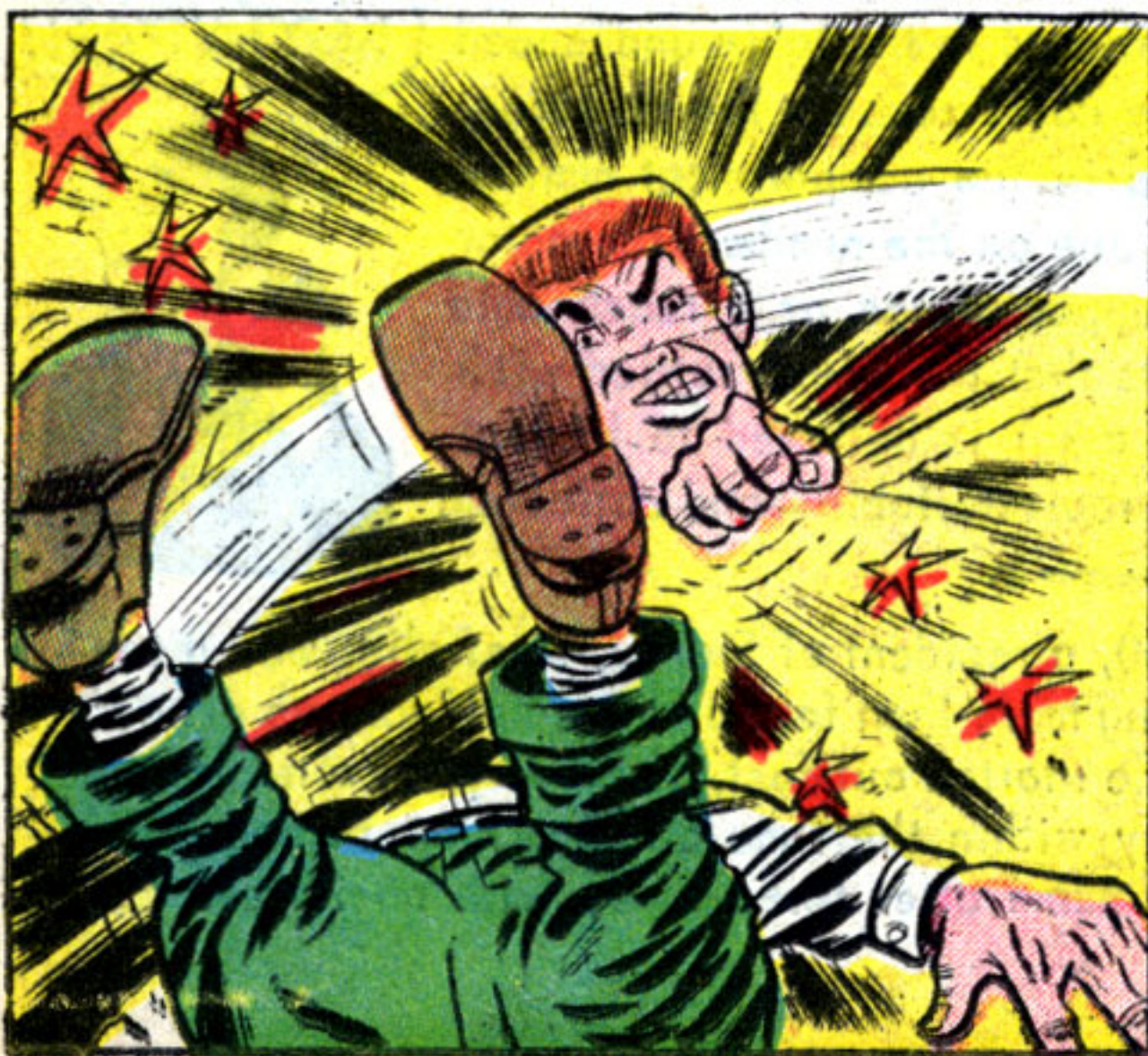
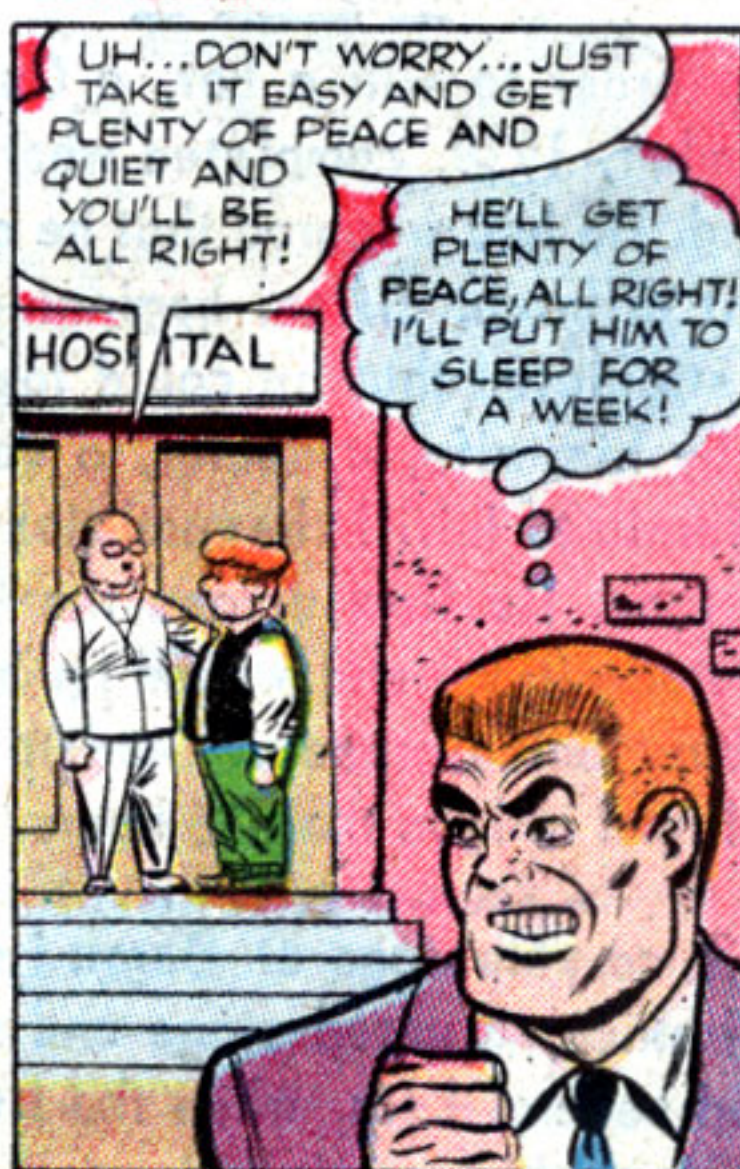
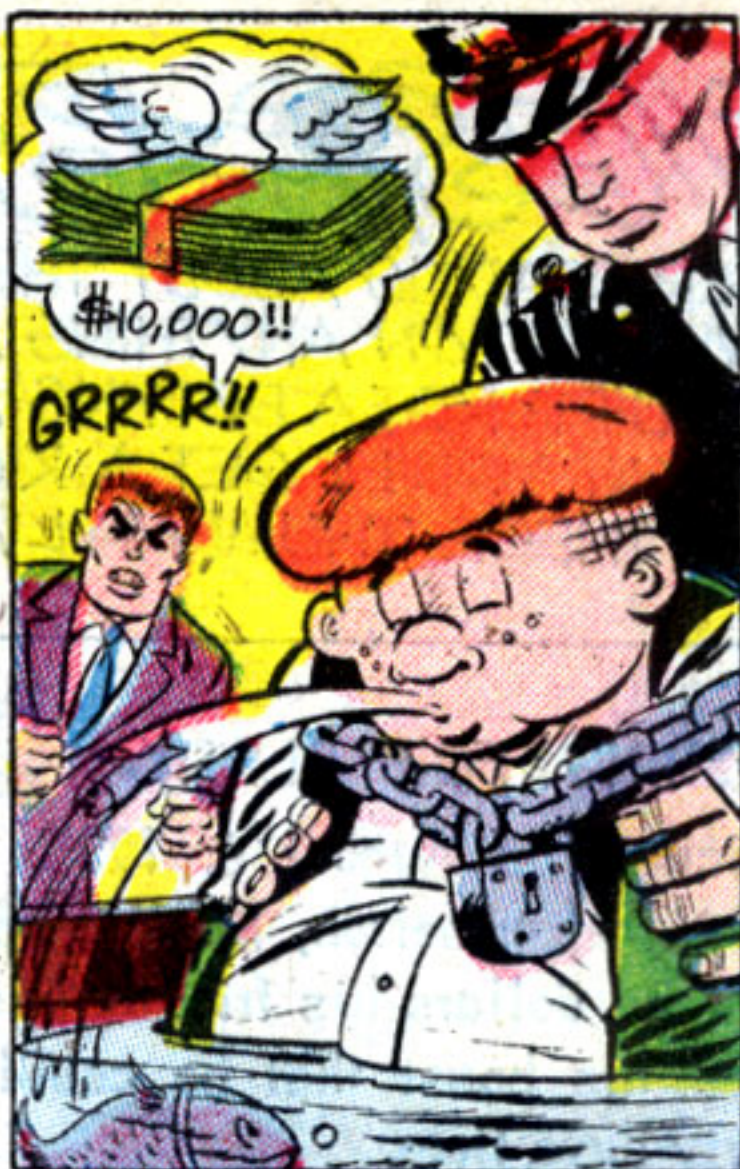
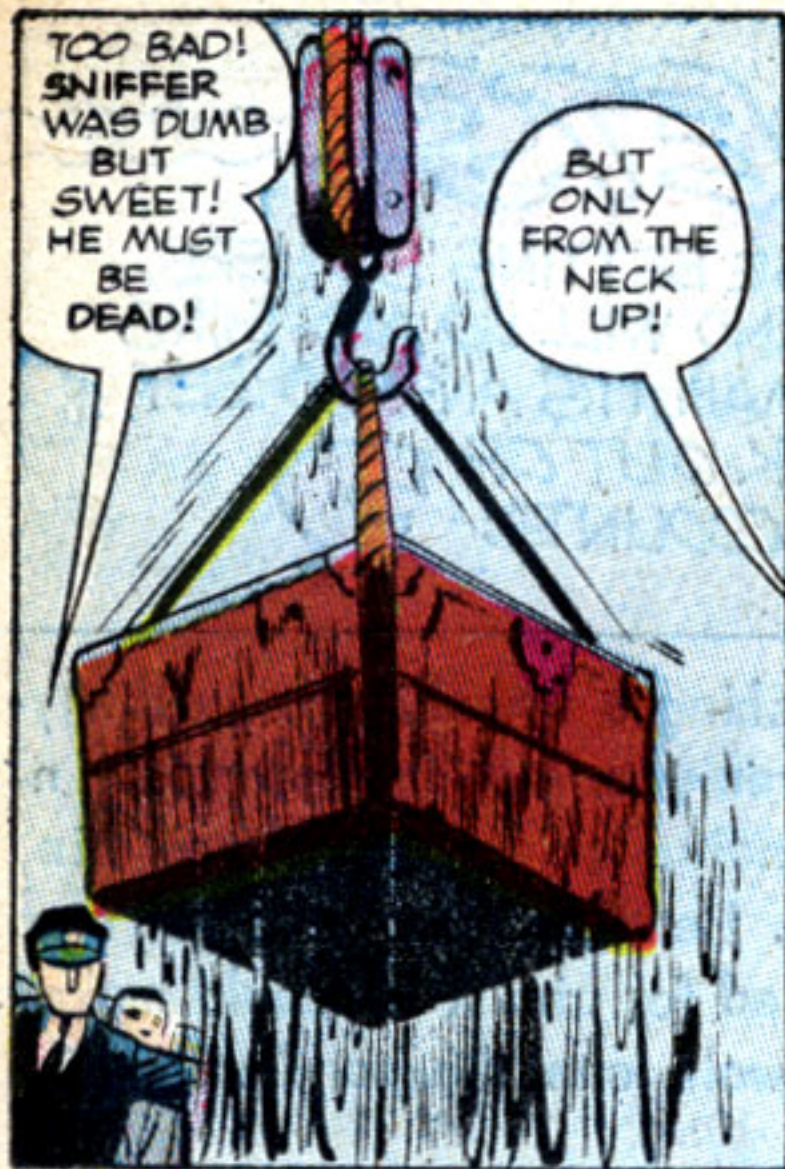
A DIVER IS READY FOR ANY EMERGENCY!... SNIFFOONEY'S BEEN DOWN THERE MORE THAN TEN MINUTES...TENSION MOUNTS... I'LL SEE IF I CAN GET HIS MANAGER TO SAY A FEW WORDS!

NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT, FOLKS! HE NEVER DID THIS BEFORE SO IT MIGHT TAKE A LITTLE LONGER THAN IT USUALLY TAKES HIM!


HE NEVER DID IT BEFORE? I BETTER GET THAT CORPSE OUT OF THERE!

NO! WAIT! I'VE GOT TEN GRAND RIDIN' ON SNIFFER! A MIRACLE MAY STILL HAPPEN!

YOU MEAN HE MAY STILL BE ALIVE?



GOOFIEST BETS

YOU'LL AGREE AFTER READING ABOUT THESE BETTING BEAVERS, THAT SOME GUYS WILL BET ON ANYTHING AND WILL DO ANYTHING TO WIN! EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT A BETTING MAN, IT'S A GOOD BET THAT YOU'LL GET A KICK OUT OF THESE THUMBNAIL ACCOUNTS! 



PUSHING FOR GLORY.

Pushing a wheel barrow, a thirty-seven-year-old man arrived in Chicago on August 6, 1935, ending a long walk from his home in Lumberton, Mississippi. He made the trip to get two hundred dollars his friends posted for him if he could make good his boast that he could walk one thousand miles in thirty days time.

LONG DISTANCE GOLF.

In order to win a bet, a California businessman in September, 1938, completed what is believed to be the longest distance marathon on golf record. He had wagered that he could play six hundred holes of golf in four days time in eight different cities, beginning in Hollywood and ending in New York. Another condition stipulated that he could take no more than 100 shots for any one round. Accompanied by his wife, a doctor, a valet, and caddy, the energetic businessman set out from California to fulfill the conditions of the bet, using a specially chartered, air-conditioned airplane. He flew across the United States playing the golf courses in each of the designated cities, and wound up his tour by sinking a short putt on the 18th green of the Salisbury Golf Course at Garden City, Long Island. This represented the 600th hole he had played in less than 96 hours.

THE WINNING TEETH.

Some years ago at Baron Long's Casino in Agua Caliente, Mexico, a noted stage and screen comedian seated himself at a roulette table and placed several bets. When the little white ball started spinning, the actor got so excited he opened his mouth and gasped. His upper plate of false teeth became loosened, clattered to the table and landed squarely on Number nineteen. Before he could recover the dentures, the wheel stopped and the ball landed in the compartment marked nineteen. The odds being thirty-five to one on the number, the actor insisted on his payoff — thirty-five upper plates or a reasonable value of same. He raised such a rumpus that the house settled with him for \$700.00 to shut him up. The actor is believed to be the only person who ever bet his teeth at a roulette table — and collected.

BUT THEY
KEPT MY TEETH!



BOTTOMS UP.

On January 23, 1950, a resident of Sidney, Australia, won a ten dollar bet by drinking more than four and one-half gallons of beer during an eight hour period of time. He started out fast, slowed up for a nap in the afternoon, and then finished promptly within the time allowed him. Friends took him to a hospital, but he was sent home after three hours with no ill effects. The beer was on the house.

THERE AINT NO JUSTICE!



A NUTTY BET.

An eighteen-year-old Denver University freshman pushed a walnut a mile with his nose in order to gain the upper hand in a romantic triangle. The Denver schoolboy and his friend had each been dating the same girl. The bet was that if the freshman succeeded in pushing the walnut the mile from his home to the girl's house, the friend would not see her for two weeks. The university pusher used a canvas pillow to protect his knees and a side motion of the head to strike the nut with the right side of his nose. His girl friend was not at home to welcome him at the end of his laborious task. She was at a public library helping his rival with a sociology class paper.

EGG-O-MANIA.

In July, 1953, a man entered a roadside restaurant in Ottawa, Kansas, and ordered three dozen eggs. Informed by the waitress that the place did not sell eggs to take out, the man told her that he intended to eat them on the premises. He did; the first sixteen scrambled, four at a time; the next four sunnyside up; and the final sixteen in one great scrambled heap. He disclosed that he had eaten the eggs in order to win a bet from a friend who had accompanied him to watch the eating feat. The prodigious eater then offered to eat a sirloin steak with pie a la mode for another bet, but was refused.

COCK A DOODLE DOO.

One of Belgium's oldest sporting pastimes is a rooster crowing competition held each autumn by the miners of the coal mining country near Charleroi. Meeting before dawn on Sundays, each rooster's owner and his friends bet on the exact number of times his bird will crow during the half-hour contest, the winner being the one that crows nearest to the number of times his master predicts. More than one hundred birds take part in the competition and the rivalry is a keen and intensive one. The winning rooster reigns as king until the following Sunday. Then he'd better watch out, or it might be into the pot with him.



A PROFITABLE RIDE.

A Viennese traveler bet an American businessman \$6,000 that he could spend a whole year riding in trains. At midnight on December 31, 1906, he entered an express train at Vienna and all that year journeyed from Vienna to Linz, Salzburg and Innsbruck, coming and going. He slept, ate and lived on the train for eight months. Then the challenger, worn down from his long journey, caught influenza. But he stayed aboard, was treated by a doctor, and lived to collect his bet.

CRIMEBUSTER

in "FIGHT BACK OR ROT"

THIS IS THE STORY OF A VILLAIN! HE FINDS THAT IT TAKES A LOT OF PLANNING TO FRAME EVEN AN ORDINARY MAN, BUT HIS INTENDED VICTIM WAS FAR FROM THAT, ESPECIALLY AFTER HE ENLISTED THE AID OF CRIMEBUSTER!

Story by
CHARLES BIRG



I KNOW YOU FRAMED ME SO YOU COULD HAVE NANCY, BUT WHO ARE YOU KIDDIN' WITH THAT GUN, CARSONS? YOU HAVEN'T GOT THE NERVE TO SHOOT!



YOU SENT FOR ME, MR. CARSONS?

YES, MY DEAR! I'VE BEEN VERY PLEASSED WITH YOUR WORK! I'M MAKING YOU HEAD OF THE MAILING DEPARTMENT!

REALLY? OH, HOW NICE!



YOU'RE BEING KICKED UPSTAIRS BECAUSE YOU DESERVE IT! NOW HOW ABOUT YOU AND I HAVING A LITTLE CELEBRATION TONIGHT?

OH, I'M SORRY! I HAVE A DATE WITH PETE! SOME OTHER TIME, MAYBE!

OH, NANCY! PETE WAS LOOKING FOR YOU!

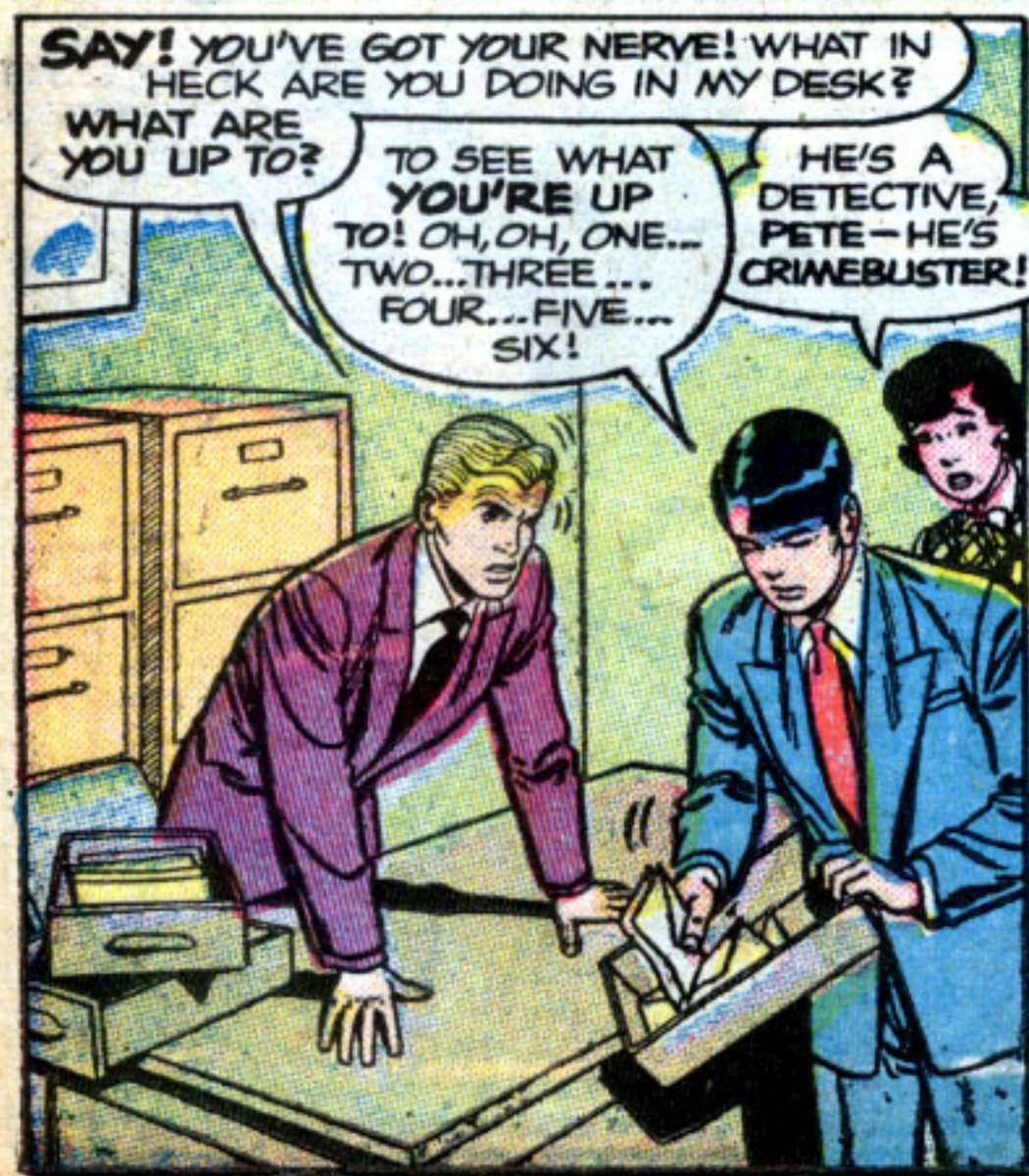


BEFORE YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT, I MUST TELL YOU I GOT THE JOB! I'M THE NEW HEAD OF THE MAILING DEPARTMENT!

OH, YOU ALREADY KNOW! THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO TELL YOU! I HOPE YOU'RE SATISFIED!









I'VE SUSPECTED HIM ALL ALONG, C.B. I DIDN'T TELL YOU BEFORE, BECAUSE I WANTED YOU TO FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF! HE THINKS HE'S UNDERPAID, AND THIS WAS HIS WAY OF GETTING THE MONEY HE THINKS HE DESERVES!

IT CERTAINLY LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE RIGHT, MR. CARSONS!



I KNOW HE DIDN'T DO IT, C.B.! HE'S BITTER, BUT HE'S NOT A THIEF!

I DON'T WANT TO TALK HERE, MISS MARLOWE! MEET ME OUTSIDE IN FIVE MINUTES!



DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO WANTED TO HURT PETE? ANYONE WHO HATED HIM ENOUGH TO FRAME HIM?

YES! MR. CARSONS— HE HATED PETE BECAUSE WE USED TO BE ...WELL...GOING STEADY!



ISN'T IT POSSIBLE THAT CARSONS MAY BE THE REAL THIEF AND WANTED PETE FOR A SCAPEGOAT?

VERY POSSIBLE! IF WE COULD FIND OUT HOW MUCH MONEY HE'S REALLY GOT! SAY, WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO DO A LITTLE UNDER-COVER WORK?



LATER...

SURE, I'M CRAZY ABOUT YOU, NANCY! THIS IS MORE THAN JUST YOUR BOSS MAKING A PASS... I WANT YOU TO BE MY WIFE!

YOU'RE WASTING YOUR TIME! I'VE HAD IT PRETTY TOUGH ALL MY LIFE, AND THE MAN I MARRY WILL HAVE TO GIVE ME THE SECURITY I'VE NEVER HAD! YOU COULDN'T DO IT ON YOUR SALARY!



WHAT ABOUT YOUR PRECIOUS PETE? I MAKE THREE TIMES AS MUCH MONEY AS HE DOES!

IT'S STILL PEANUTS! AT LEAST PETE WAS TRYING TO GET MORE MONEY! I'D HAVE MARRIED HIM IF HE HADN'T BEEN DUMB ENOUGH TO GET CAUGHT!

YOU SEE, I'M NOT THE LITTLE INNOCENT GIRL YOU THOUGHT I WAS!



A WEEK PASSED, WHILE MR. CARSONS THOUGHT OVER WHAT NANCY HAD TOLD HIM AND...

YOU HAVE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO TELL ME?

REMEMBER WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT SECURITY AND THE MAN YOU'D MARRY?



YES?







I HAD TIME TO REASON IN JAIL AND MY REASONING WAS GOOD! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO STOLE THE MISSING THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS!

HELP! POLICE!



AND EVEN THOUGH YOU SAW THAT I WAS UNARMED, YOU TRIED TO SHOOT ME!

YAAAA!!



TALK, CARSONS! YOU STOLE THE DOUGH, DIDN'T YOU? TELL THE TRUTH OR I'LL KEEP BUSTING YOU UNTIL YOU DO!



CRIMEBUSTER!

OKAY, PETE - WE'LL TAKE OVER NOW! WE'VE FOUND OUT THAT CARSONS STOLE THE MONEY AND FRAMED YOU! YOU'RE CLEARED OF THE LARCENY CHARGE, THAT IS!



WHAT I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IS HOW THIS GUY MISSED PETE AT THAT CLOSE RANGE!

I WAS SURE HE'D TRY TO SHOOT PETE, SO I MADE SURE HE COULDN'T! THEY WERE BLANKS!

NO WONDER!



NANCY-DARLING! OH, CRIMEBUSTER, I'M SORRY I ESCAPED FROM JAIL! I HOPE THAT GUARD IS ALL RIGHT!

YOU'D BETTER SAVE YOUR SORROWS AND HOPES FOR THE JUDGE! YOU'VE STILL GOT TO PAY THE PIPER FOR THAT!



THE NEXT DAY...

PETE YOUR LUCK IS BEGINNING TO RUN GOOD! THE OFFICER YOU SMACKED ISN'T PRESSING CHARGES SO YOU'VE GOT A CHANCE OF A SUSPENDED SENTENCE, IF YOU'RE LUCKY WITH THE JUDGE!

WE'VE GOT NEWS FOR YOU, TOO, C.B.!



WE'RE GOING TO BE MARRIED SATURDAY!

AND PETE'S BEEN GIVEN MR. CARSONS' JOB AS HEAD OF THE SUBSCRIPTION DEPARTMENT!

IT'S JUST ONE BALL-AND-CHAIN AFTER ANOTHER, EH? CONGRATULATIONS!

THE END

ROCKY X

in "THE STRANGE HITCHHIKERS"

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WERE HIGHBALLING TO FREEDOM IN A CAPTURED TRAIN AND FOUND THAT A FULLY-LOADED ENEMY TRAIN WAS HEADING FOR YOU ON THE SAME TRACK? IF YOU WERE ROCKY X, YOU'D PUSH THE THROTTLE DOWN, HANG ON AND HOPE FOR THE BEST!



TEE, HEE! MAJOR, YOU AMERICANS ARE SO WITTY!

WHAT DO YOU TROUBLE-VENDORS WANT?

TOO BAD, MAJOR, BUT THE COLONEL WANTS YOU BACK AT H.Q.!



IF THIS IS A GAG, I'LL HAVE YOU COURT-MARTIALED!

WHY, MAJOR! HOW CAN YOU SAY SUCH A THING? HURRY UP—DON'T KEEP THE COLONEL WAITING!

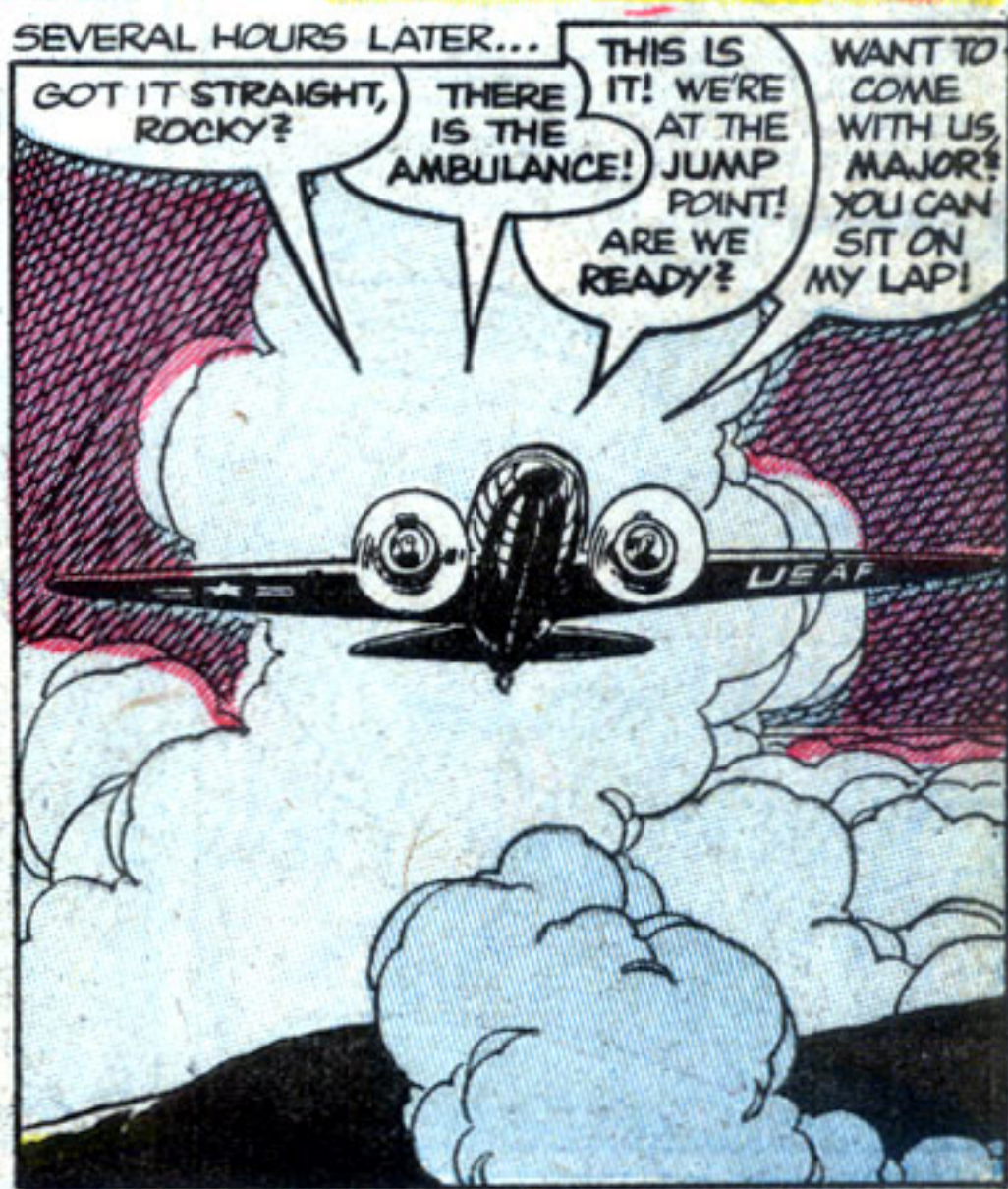
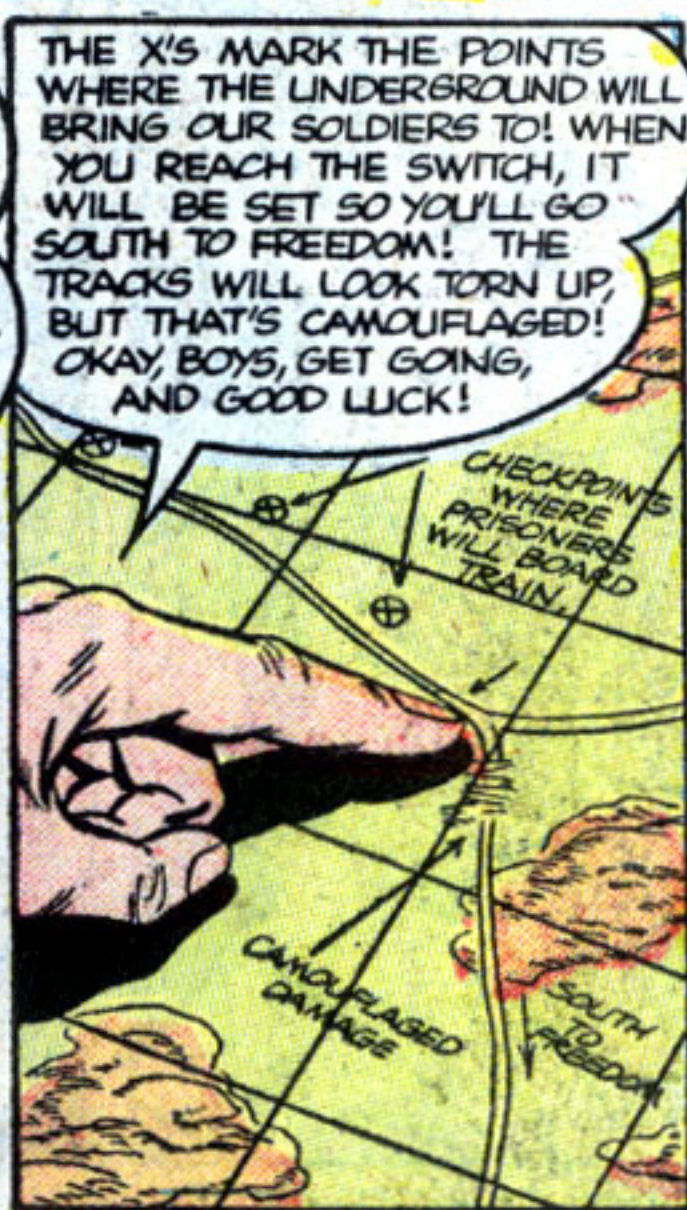


BACK AT HEADQUARTERS ...

I'VE TAKEN ENOUGH FROM THOSE GUYS, COLONEL! WILL YOU SIGN THIS LETTER ASKING THE FBI TO ORDER THEM BACK TO THE STATES?

JUST A SEC, MAJOR! I'VE GOT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT OPERATION ESCAPE!







I HOPE THESE GUYS KNOW THAT THIS ISN'T FOR REAL! I'D HATE TO HAVE 'EM CARVE OUT A KIDNEY OR TWO!

CLAM UP, WILL YOU?



THEY SURE ARE SILENT PARTNERS!

THESE ARE THE REAL HEROES OF THE WAR!



WOUNDED PLISONERS! WE HAVE ORDERS TO BLING TO TLAIN!

VELLY GOOD!



WHAT DO YOU SAY, SIMPY? WE'RE A GOOD HALF-HOUR OUT OF THE STATION! SHOULD WE GET GOING?

I'M READY FOR ACTION!



STICK AROUND, BABY! WE'LL GET UP A PARTY LATER!

COME ON, SIMPY! FOR PETE'S SAKE! WE'VE GOTTA MOVE FAST IF THIS CAPER'S GONNA COME OFF ON SCHEDULE!



A GOOD SOLDIER SHOULD KNOW HIS ENEMY! I WAS GONNA LINE UP ANOTHER ONE FOR YOU!

I'LL TAKE A RAIN CHECK! YOU KNOW WE HAVE TO TAKE OVER THIS ENGINE WITHOUT A GUN!



THIS IS MORE LIKE IT! I WAS GETTING SOFT SITTING AROUND IN THOSE SAKE JOINTS!

YOU JUMP THE COAL STOKER- I'LL GET THE ENGINEER!



DROP THAT SHOVEL, SON! YOU WON'T BE USING IT FOR A WHILE!

NO, BUT YOU WILL, SIMPY! AFTER YOU PUT THAT CREEP ON ICE, KEEP THE FIRE HOT-WE'VE GOT A LONG WAY TO GO!

WE'RE COMING TO THE FIRST PRISONER PICK-UP SPOT! I HOPE THERE'S SOME SIGNAL SO WE'LL KNOW WHEN WE GET THERE!



OH, OH, ROCKY! WE'RE IN TROUBLE!



DO NOT BE ALARMED, FRIEND! I AM A MEMBER OF THE UNDERGROUND! THE TRAIN IS COMPLETELY IN OUR HANDS!



WHEW! YOU GAVE US A SCARE FOR A MINUTE!



THERE THEY ARE! THE FIRST BATCH!

THEY'RE SURE A LOT OF HAPPY BOYS!



BOY, THERE ARE A LOT OF 'EM! I HAD NO IDEA SO MANY OF OUR GUYS GOT STUCK BEHIND THE LINES!



HOP ABOARD, BOYS! NEXT STOP-GRAND CENTRAL STATION!



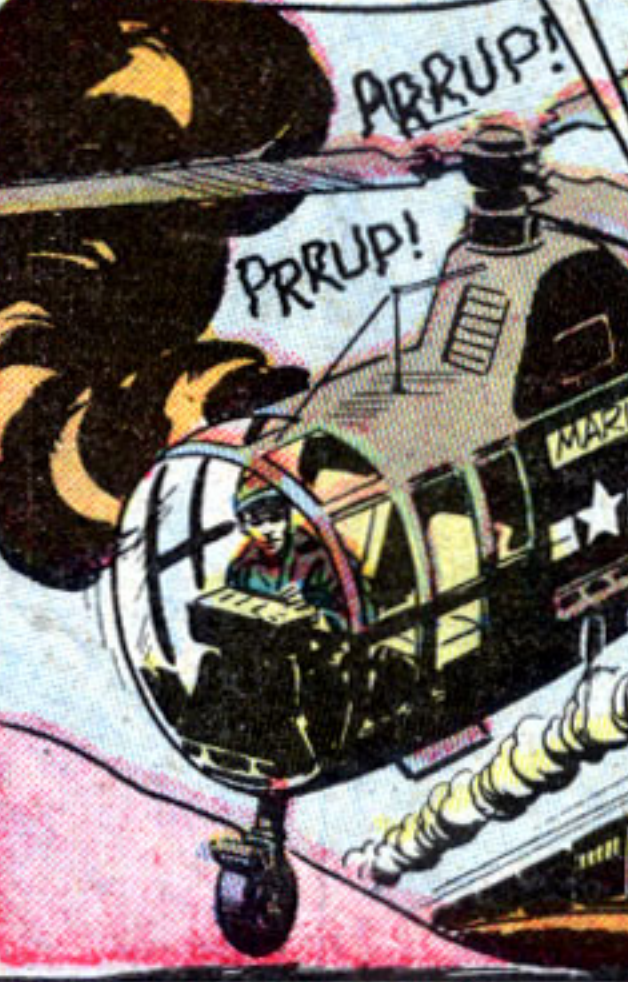
BOY O' BOY, ARE WE GLAD TO SEE YOU GUYS!



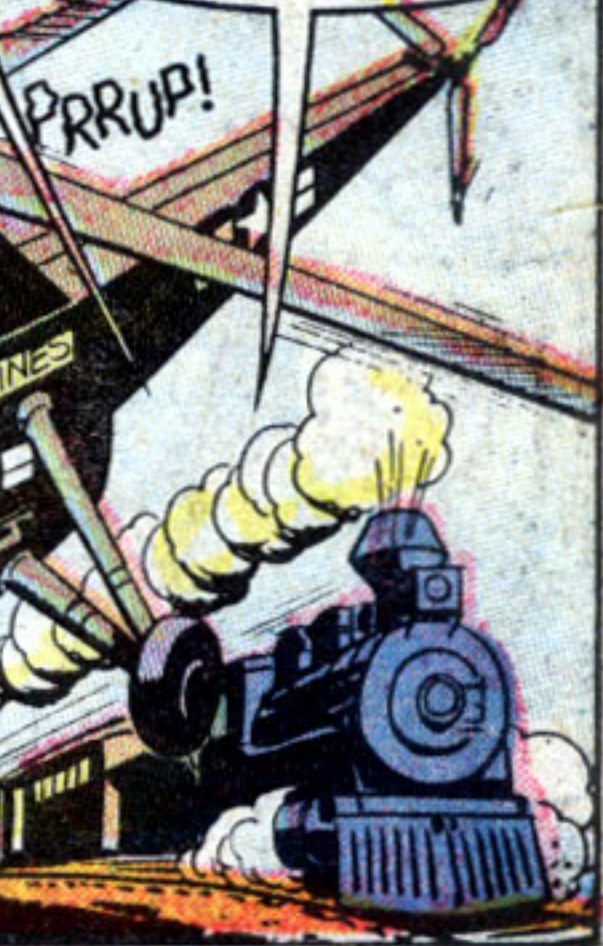
YOU CAN TAKE ME ANYWHERE BUT COMMILAND!



THAT'S AN AMERICAN 'COPTER... AND HE'S IN TROUBLE! LET'S PICK HIM UP!



WE CAN'T STOP, ROCKY! WE'D BE ENDANGERING THE WHOLE OPERATION JUST FOR ONE GUY!



WE CAN'T PASS UP A FLYBOY IN TROUBLE! C'MON, LET'S HAUL HIM OUT BEFORE THAT BUG BLOWS UP!



ARE YOU HURT BAD?

I THINK IT'S MY HIP! THERE'S A TRAIN HEADIN' FOR YOU FROM THE NORTH ON THE SAME TRACK LOADED WITH SOLDIERS, GUNS, AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT... THEY SHOT ME DOWN!



I APOLOGIZE, ROCKY-WE'D REALLY BE IN TROUBLE IF WE HADN'T STOPPED! THE GOOD YOU DO IN LIFE SURE PAYS YOU BACK!



SAVE IT FOR LATER, CONFUCIOUS! WE'VE GOTTA BEAT THAT TRAIN TO THE SWITCH POINT!





WELL, WE'VE GOT ALL THE GUYS PICKED UP AND THERE'S THE SWITCH! WE'VE BEAT 'EM—HEY—WHAT ARE YOU STOPPIN' FOR? THE SWITCH IS ALREADY SET TO HEAD SOUTH!

YEAH! WE'RE GOING NORTH!



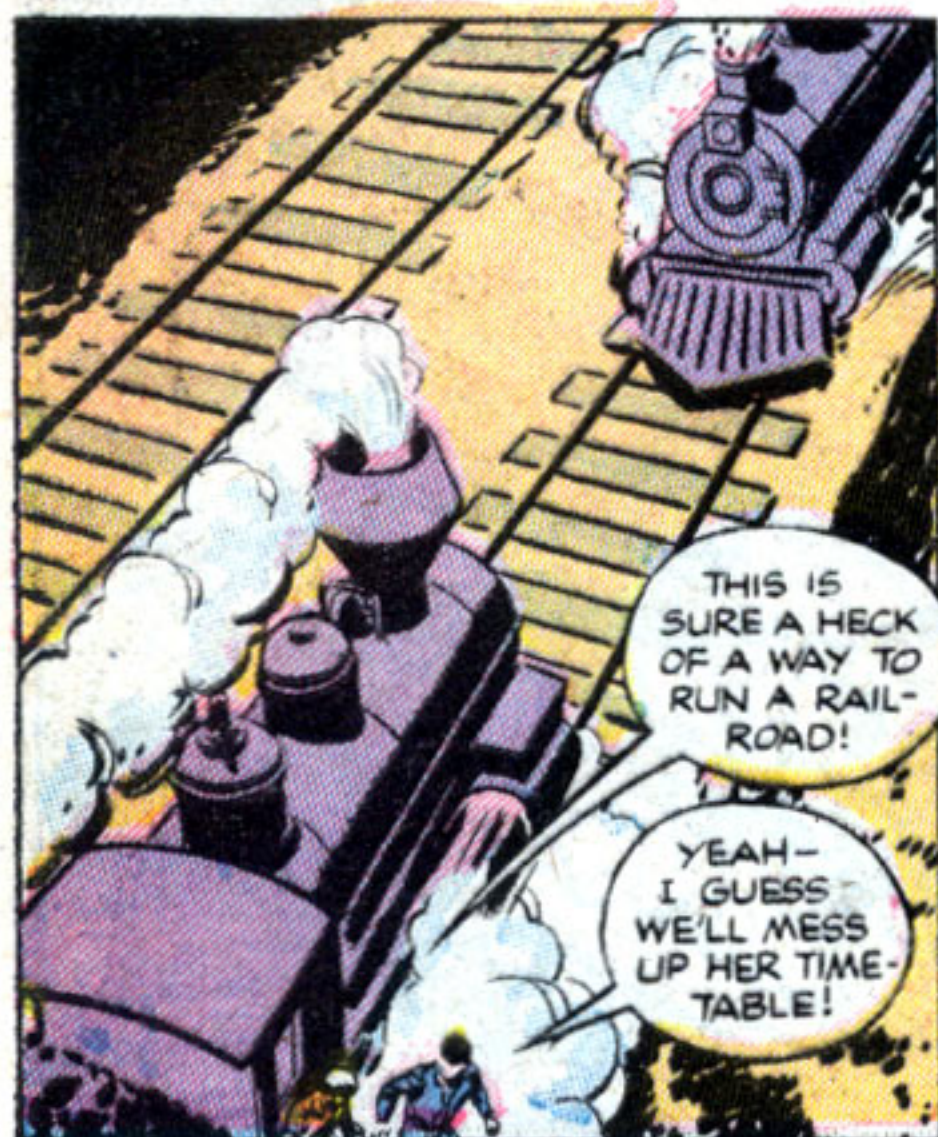
NORTH? HAVE YOU GONE NUTS? THEY'LL MASSACRE US!

THEY'D BE SURE TO, IF WE TRIED TO RUN! WE'RE OVERLOADED, AND THEY'D CATCH US BEFORE WE REACHED THE BORDER! WE'RE GONNA MEET 'EM HEAD ON! HURRY UP AND GET EVERYBODY OFF THE TRAIN!



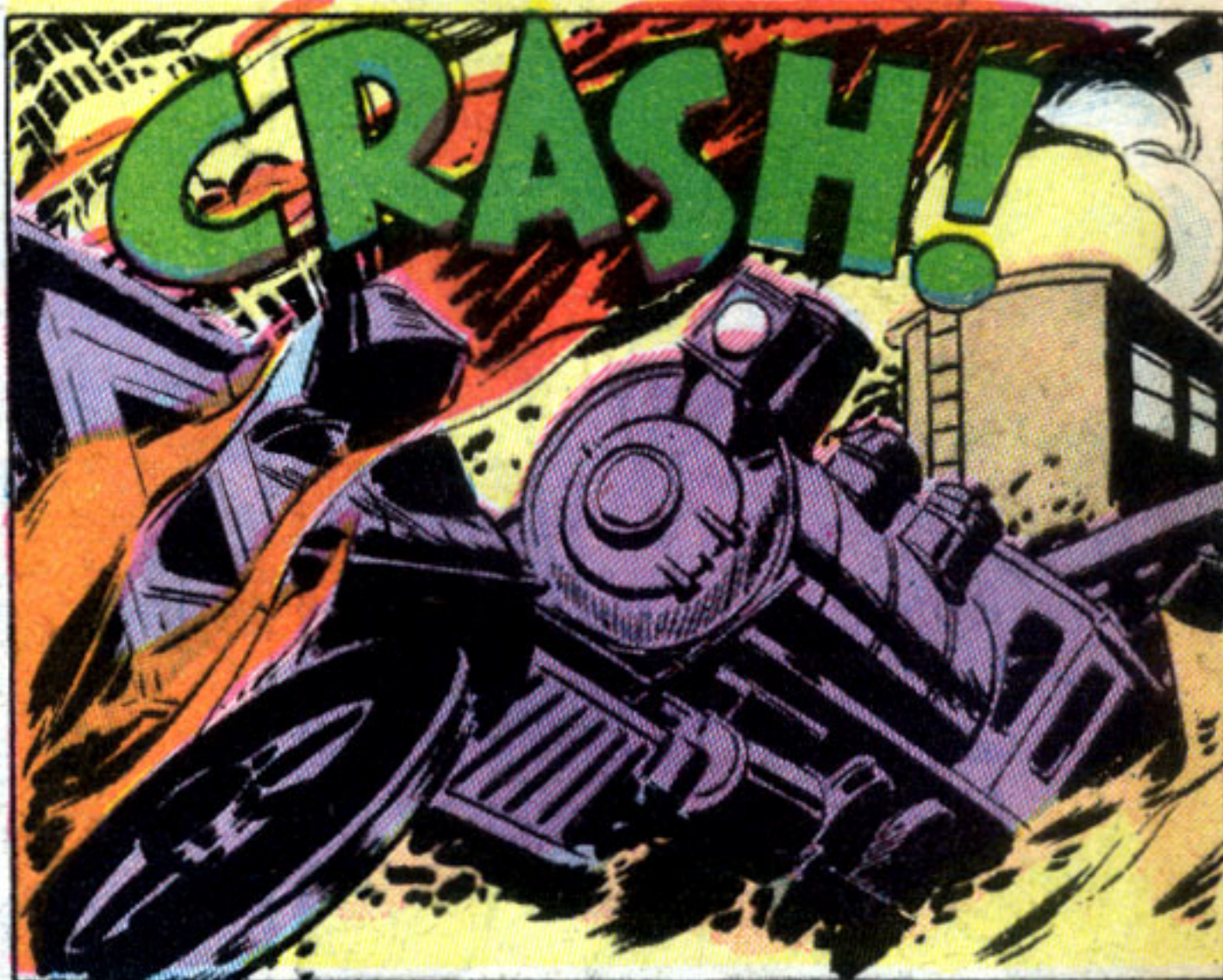
I MEANT EVERYBODY—THAT INCLUDES YOU, SIMPLY!

NOT ME, BOY, YOU MIGHT TRY AND RIDE THIS CRASH THROUGH! I'M GONNA GET YOU OFF IF I HAVE TO CARRY YOU!



THIS IS SURE A HECK OF A WAY TO RUN A RAIL-ROAD!

YEAH—I GUESS WE'LL MESS UP HER TIME-TABLE!



OKAY, MASTERMIND! IT LOOKS LIKE WE'VE GOT A LONG WALK COMING UNLESS YOU HAVE AN ACE IN THE HOLE!

MAYBE I HAVE! HURRY UP, MEN! GRAB THEIR GUNS BEFORE THEY FIGURE OUT WHAT HIT 'EM!

WELL, ARE YOU GOING TO LET ME IN ON IT?

LISTEN, EVERYBODY! LAY DOWN AND PLAY DEAD! THAT TRAIN WAS COMING TO INTERCEPT US HEAD-ON FROM THE NORTH! THERE'S BOUND TO BE ANOTHER TRAIN CHASING US ON THE SAME TRACK WE CAME ON! WHAT DO YOU HEAR, MAC?

YOU'RE RIGHT! THERE'S A TRAIN COMING!





ROCKY, DID YOU SEE THAT SHOT? I GOT HIM!

DON'T STAND UP AND CHEER! THOSE'RE NOT JELLY BEANS THE OTHER ONE IS THROWING AT US!



THERE BLOWS THE OTHER! THAT'S ALL THERE IS, THERE ISN'T ANY MORE!

AND IT'S A GOOD THING! WE'RE FRESH OUT OF BULLETS—LET'S GET DOWNSTAIRS! THIS BABY ISN'T GOING TO RUN ITSELF!



MEANWHILE...

THAT WAS FROM OUR AIR PATROL! THEY'VE SPOTTED A TRAIN WRECK AT THE SWITCH POINT! FROM THE AIR, EVERYBODY LOOKS DEAD! I GUESS THAT WOULD INCLUDE ROCKY!

THE POOR JOE. I WANTED TO SHIP HIM OUT BUT NOT LIKE THAT!



THIS IS A CATASTROPHE! NOW I WISH I HAD LISTENED TO YOU ABOUT SENDING HIM STATESIDE!

IT'S NOBODY'S FAULT—JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS—COULD'VE HAPPENED TO ANYBODY! IF ANYONE WANTS ME, I'M GONNA BE DROWNING MY SORROW!



A SHORT TIME LATER...

HI, COLONEL, SORRY, WE'RE LATE! I NEVER COULD FIGURE OUT THOSE ORIENTAL TIMETABLES!

WHERE'S THE MAJOR? WE MISSED HIM!

THANK HEAVEN! WE THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD!



COME—CHEER UP, MAJOR, THOSE THINGS MUST BE FACED!

BUT THEY WERE SLICH SWELL GUYS! WE SENT 'EM OUT TO GET KILLED!



WHY, MAJOR—WE DIDN'T KNOW YOU CARED... DRY THOSE BABY-BLUE EYES! WE'RE BACK!

ROCKY! SIMPY!



BUT WE THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD!

WELL, WE'RE NOT, BUT WE WILL BE IF WE DON'T GET SOME RELAXATION... YOU DON'T MIND IF WE JOIN YOUR PARTY FOR THE EVENING!

THAT'S A GOOD IDEA, SIMPY, IF YOU GET TWO EXTRA DATES FOR YOU AND THE MAJOR!

THE END

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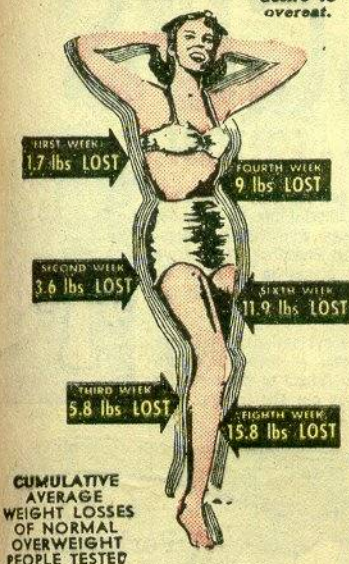
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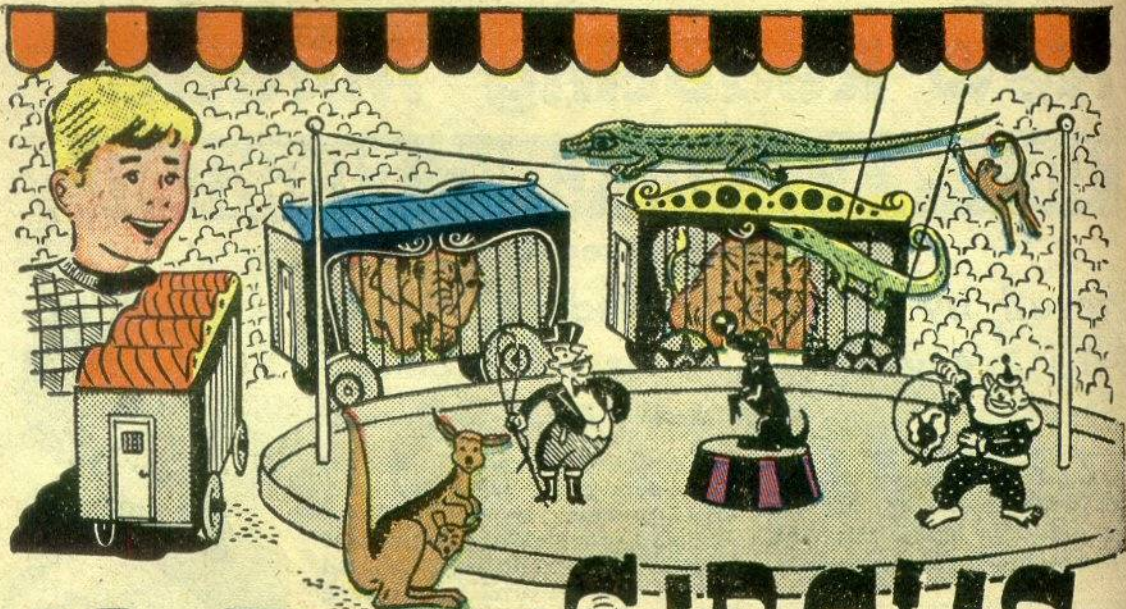
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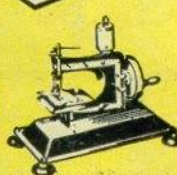
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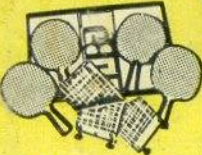


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